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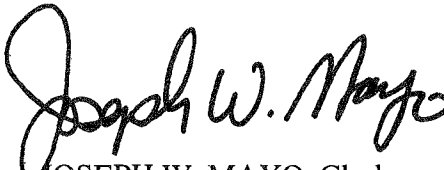
No. 994

H.P. 730

House of Representatives, February 11, 1997

**An Act to Conform the Maine Fair Debt Collection Practices Act to
Federal Laws.**

Reference to the Committee on Business and Economic Development suggested and
ordered printed.


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative FISK of Falmouth.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

4 **Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §11013, sub-§2, ¶K,** as enacted by PL 1985, c.
702, §2, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

6 K. Except as otherwise provided for communications to
8 acquire location information under section 11011, the
10 failure to disclose in the initial written communication
12 with the consumer and, if the initial communication with the
14 consumer is oral, in the initial oral communication that the
16 debt collector is attempting to collect a debt and that any
information obtained may be used for that purpose and the
failure to disclose in subsequent communications that the
communication is from a debt collector. This paragraph does
not apply to a formal pleading made in connection with a
legal action;

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20 **SUMMARY**

22 This bill conforms the Maine Fair Debt Collection Practices
24 Act to a recent amendment to the federal Fair Debt Collection
26 Practices Act, 15 United States Code Section 1692 e (11),
contained in the federal Omnibus Appropriations Act, 1997 Public
Law 104-208, Section 2305.