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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 211, L.D. 289, Bill, "An Act to Amend the Uniform Unclaimed Property Act concerning Tangible Property Held by Landlords or by State Institutions"

Amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§1954." in subsection 2 by striking out all of paragraph B and inserting in its place the following:

'B. Tangible property that has a fair market value of less than \$500 that is left by a tenant may be disposed of by the landlord in accordance with Title 14, section 6013.'

Further amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

'Sec. 2. 33 MRSA §1954-A is enacted to read:

§1954-A. Retention of property with historic value

1. Historic significance. The administrator may retain any tangible property delivered to the administrator, if the property has exceptional historic significance. The historic significance must be certified by the administrator with advice from the State Historian, the State Archivist, the State Librarian and the Director of the Maine State Museum. A statement of the appraised value of the property must be filed with the certification. Historic property retained under this subsection must be stored or displayed at the Maine State Museum, the Maine State Library or other suitable locations.

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2 This amendment also enacts a section that was part of the
unclaimed property laws repealed and replaced by Public Law 1997,
4 chapter 508. The section focuses on the retention by the
administrator of property of historical significance. It allows
6 the Treasurer of State to retain such property and requires its
storage or display in appropriate locations, such as the State
8 Museum and the State Library. This amendment adds the State
Librarian to the list of advisors to the administrator concerning
the historic significance of property.

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