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An Act to Promote Equity Among Health Care Clinics

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative KANE of Saco. Cosponsored by Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland and Representatives: CRAVEN of Lewiston, DUDLEY of Portland, O'BRIEN of Augusta, O'NEIL of Saco, WALCOTT of Lewiston, Senator: BRENNAN of Cumberland.

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

Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §1760, sub-§16, as amended by PL 1999, c. 708, §25, is further amended to read:

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6 16. Hospitals, research centers, churches and schools. Sales to incorporated hospitals, incorporated nonprofit nursing 8 homes licensed by the Department of Human Services, incorporated nonprofit residential care facilities licensed by the Department 10 of Human Services, incorporated nonprofit home health agencies certified under the United States Social Security Act of 1965, 12 Title XVIII, as amended, incorporated nonprofit fufal-community health centers engaged in, or providing facilities for, the 14 delivery of comprehensive primary health care, incorporated nonprofit dental health centers, institutions incorporated as 16 nonprofit corporations for the sole purpose of conducting medical research or for the purpose of establishing and maintaining laboratories for scientific study and investigation in the field 18 of biology or ecology or operating educational television or 20 radio stations, schools, incorporated nonprofit organizations or their affiliates whose purpose is to provide literacy assistance 22 free clinical assistance to children with dyslexia and or regularly organized churches or houses of religious worship, 24 excepting except for sales, storage or use in activities that are mainly commercial enterprises. "Schools" means incorporated educational including 26 nonstock institutions, institutions empowered to confer educational, literary or academic degrees, 28 that have a regular faculty, curriculum and organized body of pupils or students in attendance throughout the usual school year and that keep and furnish to students and others records required 30 and accepted for entrance to schools of secondary, collegiate or graduate rank, no part of the net earnings of which inures to the 32 benefit of any individual.

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40 42 This bill provides the same sales and use tax exemption to all nonprofit health clinics that is currently available to rural community health clinics, hospitals and their affiliated clinics, nonprofit dental health clinics and other similar health care providers.

SUMMARY