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CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
121ST LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 812, L.D. 1109, Bill, "An Act Regarding Passing Bad Checks"

Amend the bill by inserting after the enacting clause and before the concept draft summary the following:

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2103, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

4. **Printing or reproduction of motor vehicle document.** -A- Except as provided in subsection 4-A, a person commits a Class D crime if that person prints, prepares, reproduces, sells or transfers without the written consent of the Secretary of State a paper or document in the form of a certificate of registration, driver's license or any other certificate, permit, license or form used by the Secretary of State in administering this Title. ~~Notwithstanding this subsection, a person may photocopy a certificate of registration solely for record-keeping purposes without the written consent of the Secretary of State.~~

Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §2103, sub-§4-A is enacted to read:

4-A. Permissible reproduction of license and registration. A person may, without the written consent of the Secretary of State, produce a black-and-white photocopy of a:

2 A. Certificate of registration solely for record-keeping
3 purposes; or

4 B. Driver's license when the license is presented to a
5 merchant who accepts payment by check or draft. The
6 merchant shall keep the photocopy in a secure nonpublic
7 location and shall destroy the photocopy once the check or
8 draft has been honored. A merchant who violates this
9 paragraph commits a Class D crime.'

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SUMMARY

13 This amendment replaces the bill and is the minority report
14 of the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public
15 Safety.

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17 This amendment allows a merchant to make a black-and-white
18 photocopy of a driver's license when the merchant accepts payment
19 by check or draft. The merchant shall file the photocopy in a
20 secure, nonpublic location and shall destroy the photocopy once
21 the check or draft has been paid.

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)

**121st Maine Legislature
Office of Fiscal and Program Review**

LD 1109

An Act Regarding Passing Bad Checks



LR 1073(02)

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

This bill may increase and decrease the number of criminal cases(Class D crimes) filed in the court system. The net effect on the Judicial Department's workload and administrative costs will be minimal.