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In Senate, January 20, 2005

An Act To Clarify the Applicability of the Maine Consumer Credit Code to Affordable Housing Organizations

Reference to the Committee on Insurance and Financial Services suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator MAYO of Sagadahoc. Cosponsored by Speaker RICHARDSON of Brunswick and Representatives: GERZOFSKY of Brunswick, GROSE of Woolwich, PERCY of Phippsburg, WATSON of Bath.

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

	Sec.	1.	9-A MRS	A §1-202	2, sub-	§7 ,	as	amended	by	PL	1987,	С
129,	§10,	is	further	amended	to rea	ad:						

7. A loan or consumer credit sale made exclusively for the purpose of deferring or financing educational expenses and on which the finance charge does not exceed that rate per year on the unpaid balances of the amount financed, as shall—be established by federal law, or, for loans or consumer credit sales for which federal law does not establish a rate, the highest rate established for educational loans under any federal program and which is insured, guaranteed, subsidized or made directly by the Federal Government, a state, a nonprofit private loan guaranty or organization, by the educational institution itself or through an endowment or trust fund affiliated with such an institution; ex

Sec. 2. 9-A MRSA §1-202, sub-§8, ¶C, as amended by PL 1987, c. 396, §2, is further amended to read:

C. With respect to a creditor other than a supervised financial organization, the exemption provided by this subsection shall—apply applies to articles—II Articles 2, III 3, IV 4 and V 5 only-; or

Sec. 3. 9-A MRSA §1-202. sub-§10 is enacted to read:

10. A no-interest credit sale by any affiliate of an international nonprofit housing organization that builds and renovates affordable housing that is sold for no profit to the organization. The exclusion in this subsection does not apply to Article 6, Part 1 or section 6-201, section 6-202, section 6-203, subsection 1 or section 6-204 or Article 8.

SUMMARY

This bill adds a provision to the Maine Consumer Credit Code

40 concerning no-interest credit sales by any affiliate of an
international nonprofit housing organization that builds and

42 renovates affordable housing that is sold for no profit to the
organization to clarify that, other than the truth-in-lending

44 provisions of Article 8 and certain administration provisions of
Article 6, the Maine Consumer Credit Code does not apply to those

46 sales.