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S.P. 658

In Senate, December 30, 2005

An Act To Encourage Reporting of Potential Fraud in State Government

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Received by the Secretary of the Senate on December 28, 2005. Referred to the Committee on Judiciary pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator SCHNEIDER of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative SMITH of Monmouth and
Senators: BRENNAN of Cumberland, DAMON of Hancock, Representatives: CAIN of Orono,
CUMMINGS of Portland, DUNN of Bangor, PERCY of Phippsburg.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 1 MRSA §402, sub-§3, ¶N,** as amended by PL 2005, c.
381, §2, is further amended to read:

6 N. Social security numbers in the possession of the
Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife; and

8 **Sec. 2. 1 MRSA §402, sub-§3, ¶O,** as enacted by PL 2005, c.
10 381, §3, is amended to read:

12 O. Personal contact information concerning public
14 employees, except when that information is public pursuant
to other law. For the purposes of this paragraph:

16 (1) "Personal contact information" means home address,
home telephone number, home facsimile number, home
18 e-mail address and personal cellular telephone number
and personal pager number; and

20 (2) "Public employee" means an employee of a
22 governmental entity, as defined in Title 14, section
8102, subsection 2, except that "public employee" does
24 not include elected officials.; and

26 **Sec. 3. 1 MRSA §402, sub-§3, ¶P** is enacted to read:

28 P. Information provided to any hotline authorized by law
30 and maintained by any agency of State Government for the
confidential reporting of potential fraud regarding the
32 internal financial operation of State Government.

34 **SUMMARY**

36 This bill ensures the confidentiality of any information
that is provided to a state-maintained hotline for the reporting
38 of potential fraud regarding the internal financial operation of
State Government.