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# 124th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-2009

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 491**

S.P. 190

In Senate, February 12, 2009

### **An Act To Reform Maine's Judicial System**

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Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

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

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook. (BY REQUEST)

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

2   **CONCEPT DRAFT**

3   **SUMMARY**

4                     This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

5                     This bill proposes to:

- 6                     1. Ensure that claims of due process violations by state court judges be heard in  
7                     federal courts of law;
- 8                     2. Direct the **Attorney General** to initiate a class action lawsuit against judges, and  
9                     allow citizens of the State with claims of violations of constitutional rights by state court  
10                    judges to join the class action lawsuit;
- 11                    3. Establish a procedure to provide redress to persons with complaints against  
12                    Legislators and government employees;
- 13                    4. Eliminate the prelitigation screening panel requirement for medical malpractice  
14                    claims; and
- 15                    5. Repeal state laws regulating the practice of law.