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An Act To Encourage Transparency in the Oversight of Interscholastic Activities

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative BECK of Waterville.
Cosponsored by Senator: MARRACHÉ of Kennebec.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 1 MRSA §402, sub-§2, ¶E**, as amended by PL 1995, c. 608, §2, is further
3 amended to read:

4 E. The board of directors of a nonprofit, nonstock private corporation that provides
5 statewide noncommercial public broadcasting services and any of its committees and
6 subcommittees; ~~and~~

7 **Sec. 2. 1 MRSA §402, sub-§2, ¶F**, as enacted by PL 1995, c. 608, §3, is
8 amended to read:

9 F. Any advisory organization, including any authority, board, commission,
10 committee, council, task force or similar organization of an advisory nature,
11 established, authorized or organized by law or resolve or by Executive Order issued
12 by the Governor and not otherwise covered by this subsection, unless the law, resolve
13 or Executive Order establishing, authorizing or organizing the advisory organization
14 specifically exempts the organization from the application of this subchapter; and

15 **Sec. 3. 1 MRSA §402, sub-§2, ¶G** is enacted to read:

16 G. Any association that oversees interscholastic activities in public or private schools
17 in this State that receives its funding from those public or private schools, either
18 through membership dues or fees collected from those schools or from the
19 participation of those schools in interscholastic activities.

20 **SUMMARY**

21 This bill amends the definition of "public proceedings" under the freedom of access
22 laws to require an association that oversees interscholastic activities in public or private
23 schools and that receives funding from those schools to provide public access to the
24 transaction of any functions of that association affecting a citizen of the State.