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L.D. 1321 (Filing No. S-*297*)

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### **STATE OF MAINE**

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### **124TH LEGISLATURE**

### FIRST REGULAR SESSION

9 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A" to S.P. 479, L.D. 1321, Bill, "An Act To 10 Clarify Taxpayer Privacy Requirements"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

### 12 'Resolve, To Facilitate Disclosure of Information to Taxpayer Representatives'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary andinserting the following:

'Sec. 1. Disclosure form. Resolved: That the State Tax Assessor shall develop and make available on the publicly accessible website of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of Revenue Services a simplified limited power of attorney form that may be used by a taxpayer to authorize employees of the bureau to discuss taxpayer information with a designated representative of the taxpayer. The form and applicable instructions must have a readability score, as determined by a recognized instrument for measuring adult literacy levels, equivalent to no higher than a 6th-grade reading level. The State Tax Assessor shall submit a copy of the form and instructions to the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation by January 15, 2010.'

#### SUMMARY

This amendment changes the bill to a resolve directing the State Tax Assessor to develop a simplified form to authorize the disclosure of taxpayer information to a designated representative of the taxpayer and to submit the form to the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation by January 15, 2010.

### FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED (See attached)

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# COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



# **124th MAINE LEGISLATURE**

# LD 1321

# LR 806(02)

## An Act To Clarify Taxpayer Privacy Requirements

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" Committee: Taxation Fiscal Note Required: Yes

## **Fiscal Note**

Minor cost increase - General Fund

### **Fiscal Detail and Notes**

The additional costs to Maine Revenue Services associated with developing a disclosure form for taxpayer privacy requirements and other administrative duties can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.