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House of Representatives, February 25, 2010

An Act To Exempt Personal Constituent Information from the Freedom of Access Laws

(AFTER DEADLINE)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

Millicent M. MacFarland
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Clerk

Presented by Representative HILL of York.
Cosponsored by Senator HOBBS of York and
Representatives: PIOTTI of Unity, PRIEST of Brunswick, Senator: BARTLETT of
Cumberland.

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

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

3 C-1. A communication from a constituent to an elected official that clearly implies
4 by its nature or content that the constituent expects that the communication is
5 confidential or that is made for the purpose of requesting that the elected official
6 render assistance or information relating to a personal and private matter affecting the
7 constituent that is not publicly known or a communication from an elected official in
8 response to such a communication from a constituent;

9 **SUMMARY**

10 This bill exempts from public records that are subject to the laws governing freedom
11 of access any communication from a constituent to an elected official that the constituent
12 expects to be confidential or that contains certain personal information and any
13 communication from an elected official in response to such a communication.