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An Act To Amend the Sales and Use Tax Exemption for an Aircraft Purchased Outside of Maine by Nonresidents

Reference to the Committee on Taxation suggested and ordered printed.

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JOSEPH G. CARLETON, JR. Secretary of the Senate

Presented by President RAYE of Washington. Cosponsored by Speaker NUTTING of Oakland and Senators: COURTNEY of York, GERZOFSKY of Cumberland, HASTINGS of Oxford, HOBBINS of York, LANGLEY of Hancock, Representatives: CAIN of Orono, FLEMINGS of Bar Harbor, LUCHINI of Ellsworth.

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

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Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §1760, sub-§45, ¶A-3, as amended by PL 2007, c. 691, §1 and affected by §2, is further amended to read:

4 A-3. If the property is an aircraft not exempted under subsection 88 and the owner at 5 the time of purchase was a resident of another state or tax jurisdiction and the aircraft 6 is present in this State not more than 20 days during the 12 months following its purchase, exclusive of days during which the aircraft is in this State for the purpose 7 8 of undergoing "major alterations," "major repairs" or "preventive maintenance" as 9 those terms are described in 14 Code of Federal Regulations, Appendix A to Part 43, 10 as in effect on January 1, 2005. For the purposes of this paragraph, the location of an aircraft on the ground in the State at any time during a day is considered presence in 11 the State for that entire day, and a day must be disregarded if at any time during that 12 day the aircraft is used to provide free emergency or compassionate air transportation 13 14 arranged by an incorporated nonprofit organization providing free air transportation in private aircraft by volunteer pilots so children and adults may access life-saving 15 medical care an individual resident in another state or tax jurisdiction or an entity in 16 which the majority of the shares or interests are held by an individual or individuals 17 18 who reside in another state or tax jurisdiction; or

SUMMARY

This bill amends the existing sales, storage and use tax exemption for an aircraft purchased outside of the State by a nonresident by removing limitations on the use of the aircraft in this State during the 12 months following purchase.