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In Senate, December 21, 2011

An Act To Provide Tort Claims Immunity for Out-of-state Regional Transit Organizations That Provide Regular Service in Maine

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Received by the Secretary of the Senate on December 19, 2011. Referred to the Committee on Judiciary pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Joseph G. Carleton Jr.

JOSEPH G. CARLETON, JR. Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator HILL of York. Cosponsored by Representative BEAVERS of South Berwick and

Representative: EVES of North Berwick.

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

- **Sec. 1. 14 MRSA §8102, sub-§3,** as amended by PL 2007, c. 563, §2, is further amended to read:
- **3. Political subdivision.** "Political subdivision" means any city, town, plantation, county, administrative entity or instrumentality created pursuant to Title 30-A, chapters 115 and 119, incorporated fire-fighting unit that is organized under Title 13-B and is officially recognized by any authority created by statute, quasi-municipal corporation and special purpose district, including, but not limited to, any water district, sanitary district, hospital district, school district of any type, an airport authority established pursuant to Title 6, chapter 10, any volunteer fire association as defined in Title 30-A, section 3151, a transit district as defined in Title 30-A, section 3501, subsection 1, a regional transportation corporation as defined in Title 30-A, section 3501, subsection 2, a transit district or regional transportation corporation formed under the laws of another state that would qualify as a transit district or regional transportation corporation under Title 30-A, chapter 163 if formed under the laws of this State and any emergency medical service.

16 SUMMARY

This bill provides the same tort claims immunity to transit organizations operating in this State but organized under the laws of another state as applies to transit organizations organized in this State.