

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

1 R O F S

L.D. 767

2 Date: 6/4/15

(Filing No. H-302)

3 **LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

4 Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House.

5 **STATE OF MAINE**
6 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**
7 **127TH LEGISLATURE**
8 **FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

9 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 520, L.D. 767, Bill, "An Act To Create
10 Jobs in Aroostook and Washington Counties"

11 Amend the bill in section 1 by striking out all of subsection 1-A (page 1, lines 3 to 7
12 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

13 '1-A. Call center. "Call center" means a business enterprise that employs 50 or
14 more full-time employees for the purpose of customer service.'

15 Amend the bill by striking out all of section 2 (page 1, lines 8 to 10 in L.D.)

16 Amend the bill in section 3 in §5250-U in subsection 1 in the last 2 lines (page 1,
17 lines 16 and 17 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "except that the call center does
18 not need to satisfy the employee income requirements of section 5250-I, subsection 18"

19 Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or
20 section number to read consecutively.

21 **SUMMARY**

22 This amendment removes the provision in the bill that proposes to exempt call
23 centers located in Aroostook and Washington counties from the Pine Tree Development
24 Zone program employee income requirements. It also removes the aggregate weekly
25 employment hours threshold from the definition of "call center."

26 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

27 (See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 767

LR 1201(02)

An Act To Create Jobs in Aroostook and Washington Counties

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-302)
Committee: Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium revenue decrease - General Fund
Potential current biennium revenue decrease - Local Government Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation provides an exception to the Pine Tree Development Zone program for call centers located in Aroostook or Washington counties. If such a call center were to become certified under the program, it would receive the 80% employee tax increment financing, income tax credit, the sales tax exemption for personal property and the sales tax reimbursement for real property allowed under the program. The potential revenue reduction to the State would depend on the specifics of any call centers that qualify for the program and no estimate is made at this time.

Additional costs to the Department of Economic and Community Development associated with making the required certifications can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.