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**An Act To Prohibit an Employer from Charging an Employee for
Direct Deposit for Wages**

Received by the Secretary of the Senate on March 18, 2021. Referred to the Committee on Labor and Housing pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D M Grant'.

DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §621-A, sub-§7** is enacted to read:

3 **7. Direct deposit of wages.** An employer may not charge a fee for the payment of
4 wages by means of direct deposit. For purposes of this section, "direct deposit" means the
5 transfer of wages through electronic funds transfer directly into an employee's account in
6 an accredited financial institution designated by the employee.

7 **SUMMARY**

8 This bill prohibits an employer from charging a fee for the payment of wages to an
9 employee by means of direct deposit of funds.