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An Act To Remove a Requirement Regarding Payment of Union Fees

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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative STETKIS of Canaan.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §963, sub-§2**, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 415, §2, is amended to
3 read:

4 **2. Not join a union.** Refrain from joining or participating in the activities of
5 organizations for the purposes of representation and collective bargaining, ~~except that an~~
6 ~~employee may be required to pay to the organization that is the bargaining agent for the~~
7 ~~employee a service fee that represents the employee's pro rata share of those expenditures~~
8 ~~that are germane to the organization's representational activities.~~

9 **Sec. 2. 26 MRSA §979-B, sub-§2**, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 415, §6, is amended
10 to read:

11 **2. Not join a union.** Refrain from joining or participating in the activities of
12 organizations for the purposes of representation and collective bargaining, ~~except that an~~
13 ~~employee may be required to pay to the organization that is the bargaining agent for the~~
14 ~~employee a service fee that represents the employee's pro rata share of those expenditures~~
15 ~~that are germane to the organization's representational activities.~~

16 **Sec. 3. 26 MRSA §1023, sub-§2**, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 415, §10, is amended
17 to read:

18 **2. Not join a union.** Refrain from joining or participating in the activities of
19 organizations for the purposes of representation and collective bargaining, ~~except that an~~
20 ~~employee may be required to pay to the organization that is the bargaining agent for the~~
21 ~~employee a service fee that represents the employee's pro rata share of those expenditures~~
22 ~~that are germane to the organization's representational activities.~~

23 **Sec. 4. 26 MRSA §1283, sub-§2**, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 415, §15, is amended
24 to read:

25 **2. Not join a union.** Refrain from joining or participating in the activities of
26 organizations for the purposes of representation and collective bargaining, ~~except that an~~
27 ~~employee may be required to pay to the organization that is the bargaining agent for the~~
28 ~~employee a service fee that represents the employee's pro rata share of those expenditures~~
29 ~~that are germane to the organization's representational activities.~~

30 **SUMMARY**

31 This bill removes the authority to require public employees who do not join a union to
32 pay service fees to the union.