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L.D. 1730

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STATE OF MAINE  
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130TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1279, L.D. 1730, "An Act To Correct Inconsistencies, Conflicts and Errors in the Laws of Maine"

- Amend the bill in Part A by striking out all of sections 22, 49, 50, 51 and 53.
- Amend the bill in Part B by striking out all of sections 4, 6, 7 and 8.
- Amend the bill by inserting after Part B the following:

PART C

Sec. C-1. 3 MRSA §312-A, sub-§11-A, as amended by PL 2019, c. 587, §5 and affected by §18 and amended by c. 599, §2 and affected by §5, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

11-A. Original source. "Original source" means any person who pays \$1,000 or more in any lobbying year directly or indirectly to any employer of a lobbyist for purposes of lobbying or grassroots lobbying or to any other person for purposes of grassroots lobbying, except that payments of membership dues to nonprofit corporations formed under Title 13-B, under any equivalent state law or by legislative enactment are not considered payments by an original source.

Sec. C-2. 3 MRSA §317, sub-§4, ¶B, as amended by PL 2019, c. 587, §16 and affected by §18, is further amended to read:

B. If the lobbyist or lobbyist associate is engaged in lobbying, if the lobbyist, lobbyist associate or employer conducts ~~indirect~~ grassroots lobbying or if the employer makes any expenditures directly to or on behalf of a covered official or a covered official's immediate family member in any of those months, a monthly report in the manner prescribed in subsection 1 even if compensation or reimbursement for expenses has not been received for the month.

Sec. C-3. 5 MRSA §7-B, as amended by PL 2019, c. 578, §2, is further amended to read:

§7-B. Use of state vehicles for commuting

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

1 A Notwithstanding section 7-A, a state-owned or state-leased vehicle may not be used  
2 by any employee to commute between home and work, except for those vehicles authorized  
3 and assigned to employees of the Baxter State Park Authority and of the Department of  
4 Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management, Military Bureau as designated by the  
5 Commissioner of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management and to law enforcement  
6 officials within the following organizational units: Bureau of State Police; Maine Drug  
7 Enforcement Agency; Office of the State Fire Marshal; the division within the Department  
8 of Public Safety designated by the Commissioner of Public Safety to enforce the law  
9 relating to the manufacture, importation, storage, transportation and sale of all liquor and  
10 to administer those laws relating to licensing and collection of taxes on malt liquor and  
11 wine; Bureau of Motor Vehicles; Bureau of Marine Patrol; the forest protection unit within  
12 the Bureau of Forestry; Bureau of Warden Service; Bureau of Parks and Lands; and the  
13 Office of Chief Medical Examiner, the investigation division and the Medicaid fraud  
14 control unit within the Office of the Attorney General.

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

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**SUMMARY**

18 This amendment strikes from Part A sections 22, 49, 50, 51 and 53 and from Part B  
19 sections 4, 6, 7 and 8. The corrections proposed by these sections have been or are  
20 anticipated to be resolved by other legislation.

21 This amendment also adds Part C. Sections 1 and 2 make consistent language  
22 describing grassroots lobbying. Section 3 adds clarifying language regarding when state  
23 vehicles may be used for commuting.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
**(See attached)**

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**



# 130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1730

LR 1(02)

An Act To Correct Inconsistencies, Conflicts and Errors in the Laws of Maine

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment

*A<sup>n</sup> (H-646)*

Committee: Judiciary

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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## Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional costs to various departments and agencies from the provisions in this bill are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.