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H.P. 362

House of Representatives, February 9, 2023

An Act to Decrease Discrimination Based on Evictions in Housing Applications

Reference to the Joint Select Committee on Housing suggested and ordered printed.

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative RANA of Bangor.

Cosponsored by Representatives: DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, GEIGER of Rockland, LOOKNER of Portland, MATHIESON of Kittery, OSHER of Orono, ROEDER of Bangor, WARREN of Scarborough, Senator: TIPPING of Penobscot.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 14 MRSA §6030-H is enacted to read:
3	§6030-H. Eviction records
4 5 6 7	A landlord or landlord's agent may not ask about previous evictions in an application for the rental or lease of a residence. A landlord or landlord's agent may not discriminate against an applicant in renting or leasing a residence on the basis of an applicant's history of eviction.
8	SUMMARY
9 10 11	This bill prohibits a landlord or landlord's agent from asking about previous evictions in an application for the rental or lease of a residence or discriminating against an applicant in the rental or lease of a residence on the basis of an applicant's history of eviction.