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Date: 3/28/24

(Filing No. S-619)

**VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS**

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**STATE OF MAINE**

**SENATE**

**131ST LEGISLATURE**

**SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “**A**” to S.P. 976, L.D. 2259, “An Act to Prohibit Receiving Compensation for Assisting a Person to Obtain Veterans' Benefits Except as Permitted Under Federal Law”

Amend the bill in section 1 in §12 by inserting after subsection 4 the following:

**5. Exceptions.** This section does not apply to:

**A. An accredited representative of a recognized organization or an accredited agent or attorney under 38 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 14.629 (2024); or**

**B. An employee of the Maine Veterans' Homes established under chapter 11 who is operating within that employee's capacity as an employee of the Maine Veterans' Homes.'**

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

**SUMMARY**

This amendment exempts an accredited representative of a recognized organization or an accredited agent or attorney under federal law and an employee of the Maine Veterans' Homes who is operating within that employee's capacity as an employee of the Maine Veterans' Homes from the provisions within the bill.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

(See attached)



# 131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 2259

LR 3111(02)

**An Act to Prohibit Receiving Compensation for Assisting a Person to Obtain Veterans' Benefits  
Except as Permitted Under Federal Law**

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"(S-619)**  
**Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs**  
**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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## Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund  
Minor revenue increase - General Fund

### Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

This bill may increase the number of civil suits filed in the court system. The additional workload associated with the minimal number of new cases filed in the court system does not require additional funding at this time. The collection of additional filing fees will increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.