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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 926, L.D. 1300, Bill, “An Act To Promote and Expand Awareness of the Educational Opportunity Tax Credit”

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §12542, sub-§7** is enacted to read:

**7. Promotion and publicity.** The department, the Department of Labor and the Finance Authority of Maine shall collaborate with postsecondary educational institutions, superintendents and others to develop and implement efforts to promote and publicize the program. If, as a result of such collaboration, it is determined that it would be advantageous for the State to contract with a private nonprofit corporation to market the program, the Finance Authority of Maine may seek appropriate funding for such a contract and, upon receipt of sufficient funding, may contract with a private nonprofit corporation to market the program throughout the State.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment, which is the minority report, removes the provisions of the bill that modify the educational opportunity tax credit and modifies the provisions of the bill regarding promotion of the Job Creation Through Educational Opportunity Program. The amendment requires the Department of Education, the Department of Labor and the Finance Authority of Maine to collaborate with postsecondary educational institutions, school superintendents and others to develop and implement efforts to promote and publicize the program. If, as a result of such collaboration, it is determined that it would be advantageous for the State to contract with a private nonprofit corporation to market the program, the Finance Authority of Maine may seek appropriate funding for such a contract and, upon receipt of sufficient funding, may contract with a private nonprofit corporation to market the program throughout the State.

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