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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 471, L.D. 1352, Bill, “An Act To Provide Integrated Community-based Employment and Customized Employment for Persons with Disabilities”

Amend the bill in Part B in section 1 in subsection 1 by adding after paragraph L a new paragraph to read:

'M. The Executive Director of the Manufacturers Association of Maine or the executive director's designee;'

Amend the bill in Part B in section 1 in subsection 1 by relettering the paragraphs to read consecutively.

Amend the bill in Part B in section 1 by striking out all of subsection 4 (page 4, line 3 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

- 4. Governance.** The members of the coalition may act only by majority vote of the members present at duly called and properly noticed meetings when a quorum is present.
 - A. A quorum is a majority of the coalition members.
 - B. Either the chair or the vice-chair of the coalition shall maintain a list of the current members of the coalition and provide notice of all meetings to all members at least 30 days but no more than 90 days before any meeting of the members by the preferred method of contact provided by each member. All meetings of the coalition must be open to the public and public comment must be invited before action on any item of business is taken. Either the chair or the vice-chair shall require that minutes of all meetings be promptly compiled and permanently maintained as a public record of the acts of the coalition. A draft of the minutes of each meeting of the coalition must be circulated to the members with the notice of the succeeding meeting.
 - C. The coalition may adopt bylaws to govern its affairs.'

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SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the minority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development, mirrors the majority report in removing the provision of the bill that establishes a consensus-based decision-making process for the Employment First Maine Coalition and replacing it with a number of governance requirements for the coalition, including a quorum requirement, majority voting, notice of meetings and the power to adopt bylaws. The minority report differs from the majority report by adding the Executive Director of the Manufacturers Association of Maine or the executive director’s designee to the membership list of the Employment First Maine Coalition.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)