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## **An Act To Prohibit Credit Checks for Purposes of Employment**

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

**Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §7051, sub-§8** is enacted to read:

**8. Credit check prohibited.** The director or director's agent may not perform or require a credit check on an employee or a prospective employee as a condition of hiring, appointment or employment.

**Sec. 2. 26 MRSA §597,** as enacted by PL 1991, c. 366, is amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

An employer or agent of an employer may not perform or require a credit check on an employee or a prospective employee as a condition of hiring or employment.

### **SUMMARY**

This bill prohibits an employer, including the State, from running a credit check on a prospective or current employee as a condition of hiring, appointment or employment.