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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
128TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 862, L.D. 1239, Bill, “An Act To Increase Efficiency in Enforcement of the Maine Human Rights Act”

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

Sec. 1. Technology. The Maine Human Rights Commission shall purchase a computer system that, at a minimum, meets the specifications required by existing federal contracts and facilitates electronic data management by the commission, including making case status information available electronically to parties and their attorneys.

Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION, MAINE

Human Rights Commission - Regulation 0150

Initiative: Provides one-time funds for the initial step in evaluating information technology needs.

GENERAL FUND	2017-18	2018-19
All Other	\$10,000	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>

Human Rights Commission - Regulation 0150

Initiative: Provides funds for 2 Paralegal positions, one Consumer Outreach position and related costs.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

1	GENERAL FUND	2017-18	2018-19
2	POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	3.000	3.000
3	Personal Services	\$173,268	\$242,363
4	All Other	\$14,620	\$7,120
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6	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$187,888</u>	<u>\$249,483</u>

7	HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION, MAINE		
8	DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2017-18	2018-19
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10	GENERAL FUND	\$197,888	\$249,483
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12	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$197,888</u>	<u>\$249,483</u>
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14 **SUMMARY**

15 This amendment is the majority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary.
 16 It strikes the bill but retains the provisions providing funding for the 2 Paralegal positions
 17 and one Consumer Outreach position and the requirement that the Maine Human Rights
 18 Commission purchase a computer system. It adds a \$10,000 appropriation for the initial
 19 step in evaluating the commission's computer system needs.

20 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

21 **(See attached)**