**An Act To Give Oversight Powers to the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services**

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

**Sec.** **1. 4 MRSA §1804, sub-§4, ¶D,** as amended by PL 2013, c. 368, Pt. RRR, §1 and affected by §4, is further amended to read:

D. Adopt rules to carry out the purposes of this chapter. Rules adopted pursuant to this paragraph are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2‑A, except that rules adopted to establish standards under subsection 2, paragraph B and rates of compensation for assigned counsel and contract counsel under subsection 2, paragraph F are major substantive rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A; ~~and~~

**Sec.** **2. 4 MRSA §1804, sub-§4, ¶E,** as enacted by PL 2009, c. 419, §2, is amended to read:

E. Appear in court and before other administrative bodies represented by its own attorneys~~.~~; and

**Sec.** **3. 4 MRSA §1804, sub-§4, ¶F** is enacted to read:

F. Remove an attorney from a roster when the commission determines, after notice and hearing, that the attorney has violated the law or a standard adopted by the commission.

**SUMMARY**

Currently there is no process for the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services to remove an attorney from the roster of attorneys qualified to provide legal services. This bill authorizes the commission to remove an attorney from a roster when the commission determines, after notice and hearing, that the attorney violated the law or a standard adopted by the commission.