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In Senate, March 20, 2025

An Act to Support Direct Access Worker Employment by Removing Certain Employment Disqualifications

Reference to the Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services
suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D M Grant'.

DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator TALBOT ROSS of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative BOYER of Poland and
Senators: HICKMAN of Kennebec, INGWERSEN of York, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin,
TIPPING of Penobscot, Representatives: CHAPMAN of Auburn, FAULKINGHAM of Winter
Harbor, MINGO of Calais, WOOD of Greene.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §9054, sub-§11, ¶F**, as enacted by PL 2015, c. 299, §25, is
3 amended to read:

4 F. Convictions for a Class A, B or C crime in this State or similar crime in another
5 jurisdiction for an offense relating to the unlawful manufacture, distribution,
6 prescription or dispensing of a controlled substance, except for a conviction for
7 aggravated cultivating of marijuana under Title 17-A, section 1105-D; and

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This bill removes aggravated cultivating of marijuana as a disqualifying offense that
10 prohibits an individual's employment as a direct access worker for a personal care agency.