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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 1552, L.D. 2169, Bill, “An Act To Correct Inconsistencies, Conflicts and Errors in the Laws of Maine”

Amend the bill by inserting after the enacting clause and before section 1 the following:

'PART A'

Amend the bill by inserting after section 56 the following:

'PART B

Sec. B-1. 3 MRSA §312-A, sub-§11-A, as amended by PL 2019, c. 587, §5 and affected by §18 and amended by c. 599, §2 and affected by §5, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

11-A. Original source. "Original source" means any person who pays \$1,000 or more in any lobbying year directly or indirectly to any employer of a lobbyist for purposes of lobbying or grassroots lobbying or to any other person for purposes of grassroots lobbying, except that payments of membership dues to nonprofit corporations formed under Title 13-B, under any equivalent state law or by legislative enactment are not considered payments by an original source.

Sec. B-2. 3 MRSA §317, sub-§4, ¶B, as amended by PL 2019, c. 587, §16 and affected by §18, is further amended to read:

B. If the lobbyist or lobbyist associate is engaged in lobbying, if the lobbyist, lobbyist associate or employer conducts ~~indirect~~ grassroots lobbying or if the employer makes any expenditures directly to or on behalf of a covered official or a covered official's immediate family member in any of those months, a monthly report in the manner prescribed in subsection 1 even if compensation or reimbursement for expenses has not been received for the month.

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1 grassroots lobbying efforts. Section 7 sets an effective date of December 1, 2020 for both
2 of these amendments.

3 Section 3 clarifies when state vehicles can be used for commuting.

4 Sections 4, 5 and 6 correct 2 errors in the effective dates of Public Law 2019, chapter
5 154. Section 4 enacts a new paragraph B-1 in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22,
6 section 802, subsection 4-B that contains the same language as the former paragraph B,
7 providing for religious and philosophical exemptions from immunization requirements
8 for employees of certain health care facilities, except that it contains a sunset of
9 September 1, 2021. This was the intended repeal date of the exemption. Because
10 paragraph B was repealed on April 20, 2020, the only way to reinstate the exemption is to
11 enact it as paragraph B-1.

12 Section 5 amends the effective date section of Public Law 2019, chapter 154 to
13 remove the reference to the amendment to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section
14 802, subsection 4-B, paragraph A. This results in the amendment to paragraph A, which
15 expands the categories of health care professionals who can sign a statement for a health
16 care employee about the medical inadvisability of an immunization, taking effect when
17 chapter 154 took effect. The retroactivity language of section 6 makes this change take
18 effect on April 20, 2020, the effective date of chapter 154, so there is no gap in that date
19 and when this Act takes effect. These changes are substantive changes.