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**131ST LEGISLATURE**

**FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 365, L.D. 868, “An Act to Extend the Protections of the Maine Civil Rights Act to Actions That Cause Emotional Distress or Fear of Violence”

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 1 in paragraph B in subparagraph (5) in the first line (page 1, line 23 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "course of"

Amend the bill in section 2 in subsection 1-A in paragraph B in subparagraph (5) in the first line (page 2, line 8 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "course of"

Amend the bill in section 3 in §4684-A in the indented paragraph in the 4th line (page 2, line 19 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "a course of" and inserting the following: 'any'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

**SUMMARY**

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, replaces the phrase "course of conduct" with the word "conduct." Accordingly, under the amendment a person is prohibited from intentionally interfering or attempting to intentionally interfere with another person's exercise or enjoyment of that person's civil rights by engaging in any conduct that would cause a reasonable person to suffer emotional distress or to fear death or bodily injury when that conduct is motivated by reason of race, color, religion, sex, ancestry, national origin, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation or gender identity.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

(See attached)

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**