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SENATE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 35, L.D. 86, Bill, “An Act To Protect Worker Wages and Benefits”

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

'Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §626, first ¶, as amended by PL 1991, c. 162, is further amended to read:

An employee leaving employment must be paid in full ~~within a reasonable time after demand at the office of the employer where payrolls are kept and wages are paid, provided that any~~ no later than the employee's next established payday. Any overcompensation may be withheld if authorized under section 635 and any loan or advance against future earnings or wages may be deducted if evidenced by a statement in writing signed by the employee. Whenever the terms of employment include provisions for paid vacations, vacation pay on cessation of employment has the same status as wages earned in accordance with the employer's established policy or practice.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill and instead requires that the payment of wages owed to an employee leaving employment be made no later then the employee's next established payday. This amendment also requires that the payment of vacation pay on cessation of employment must be done in accordance with the employer's established policy or practice.

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