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An Act to Prevent Discrimination

WHEREAS, the One Hundred and Eighteenth Legislature of the State of Maine, in the First Special Session, by an act entitled,

"An Act to Prevent Discrimination,"

passed by a concurrent vote of both branches and approved May 16, 1997, which said act is known and identified as Chapter 205 of the Public Laws of 1997, enacted said measure; and

WHEREAS, the electors of this State filed with the Secretary of State written petitions addressed to the Governor of the State of Maine, as required by Article IV, Part Third, Section 17, of the Maine Constitution of Maine, requesting that the act entitled "An Act to Prevent Discrimination" be referred to the electors of this State; and

WHEREAS, by proclamation of the Governor, upon receipt of notice from the Secretary of State declaring the validity of the petitions, declared said act be referred to the electors for approval at an election held on February 10, 1998; and

WHEREAS, it appears by the return of votes cast by the electors of the various cities, towns and plantations voting upon said act on February 10, 1998, and reviewed by the Governor on February 25, 1998, that a majority of said votes were in opposition of this act becoming law; namely,

> 145,452 for, and 138,153 opposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANGUS S. KING, Jr., Governor of the State of Maine, in pursuance of the provisions of the Constitution of Maine in such case provided, declare said measure is not adopted.

Secretary of State

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereunto affixed given under my hand at Augusta this twenty-fifth lay of February in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Eig