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**An Act to Amend the Freedom of Access Act to Apply to Legislative
Caucuses**

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

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DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BENNETT of Oxford.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 1 MRSA §402, sub-§1-B** is enacted to read:

3 **1-B. Legislative caucus.** "Legislative caucus" means 3 or more Legislators of the
4 same political party meeting for the purpose of conducting legislative business on behalf
5 of the Legislature or a legislative committee.

6 **Sec. 2. 1 MRSA §402, sub-§2, ¶A,** as enacted by PL 1975, c. 758, is amended to
7 read:

8 A. The Legislature of ~~Maine~~ and its committees ~~and~~ subcommittees and legislative
9 caucuses;

10 **SUMMARY**

11 This bill provides that legislative caucuses are public proceedings under the Freedom
12 of Access Act. The bill defines "legislative caucus" as 3 or more Legislators of the same
13 political party meeting for the purpose of conducting legislative business.