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HOUSE AMENDMENT “ ” to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “A” to H.P. 1150, L.D. 1579, Bill, “An Act To Authorize Public Safety Personnel and Members of the Military To Wear Their Uniforms When Visiting Schools in Their Official Capacities”

Amend the amendment in the first 2 lines after the title (page 1, lines 12 and 13 in amendment) by striking out the following: "in section 1 in subsection 20 in the 2nd to last line (page 1, line 8 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "wardens" the following: 'forest rangers' " and inserting the following: 'by striking out all of section 1 and inserting the following:

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §4012 is enacted to read:

§4012. Uniforms worn by members of military and public safety personnel

A member of the United States Armed Forces, the Maine National Guard or a public safety agency, including but not limited to a firefighter, police officer, emergency medical technician, game warden, forest ranger and park ranger, when visiting a school in that person’s official capacity may not be denied access to a publicly supported secondary school or secondary public charter school solely because that person is wearing a uniform.'

SUMMARY

Like the bill as amended by Committee Amendment "A," this amendment ensures the ability of members of the military and public safety personnel to wear their uniforms when visiting certain publicly supported schools in their official capacities. Unlike the bill as amended by Committee Amendment "A," which requires school boards to adopt

1 policies ensuring this ability, this amendment instead provides that such persons may not
2 be denied access to a publicly supported secondary school or secondary public charter
3 school solely because they are wearing their uniforms.

4 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

5 **(See attached)**

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