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**STATE OF MAINE  
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128TH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 1257, L.D. 1812, “Resolve, Directing an Independent, Nonpartisan, Objective Evaluation of the Provision of Indigent Legal Services”

Amend the resolve by striking out all of section 3 (page 2, lines 1 to 11 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved:** That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

**INDIGENT LEGAL SERVICES, MAINE COMMISSION ON  
Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services Z112**

Initiative: Deappropriates funds on a one-time basis to offset the cost to provide funding for the purpose of entering into a contract with a nonprofit organization experienced in evaluating indigent legal services systems.

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| <b>GENERAL FUND</b>       | <b>2017-18</b>     | <b>2018-19</b> |
| All Other                 | (\$110,000)        | \$0            |
| <b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b> | <b>(\$110,000)</b> | <b>\$0</b>     |

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| <b>INDIGENT LEGAL SERVICES, MAINE<br/>COMMISSION ON<br/>DEPARTMENT TOTALS</b> | <b>2017-18</b>     | <b>2018-19</b> |
| <b>GENERAL FUND</b>   | <b>(\$110,000)</b> | <b>\$0</b>     |
| <b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>   | <b>(\$110,000)</b> | <b>\$0</b>     |

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

1 **LEGISLATURE**

2 **Legislature 0081**

3 Initiative: Appropriates funds on a one-time basis to the Legislature to provide funding  
 4 for the purpose of entering into a contract with a nonprofit organization experienced in  
 5 evaluating indigent legal services systems.

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| 6 | <b>GENERAL FUND</b>       | <b>2017-18</b>   | <b>2018-19</b> |
| 7 | All Other                 | \$110,000        | \$0            |
| 8 |                           |                  |                |
| 9 | <b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b> | <u>\$110,000</u> | <u>\$0</u>     |

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| 10 | <b>LEGISLATURE</b>                  |                         |                   |
| 11 | <b>DEPARTMENT TOTALS</b>            | <b>2017-18</b>          | <b>2018-19</b>    |
| 12 |                                     |                         |                   |
| 13 | <b>GENERAL FUND</b>                 | <b>\$110,000</b>        | <b>\$0</b>        |
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| 15 | <b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b> | <u><b>\$110,000</b></u> | <u><b>\$0</b></u> |

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| 16 | <b>SECTION TOTALS</b>            | <b>2017-18</b>    | <b>2018-19</b>    |
| 17 |                                  |                   |                   |
| 18 | <b>GENERAL FUND</b>              | <b>\$0</b>        | <b>\$0</b>        |
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| 20 | <b>SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b> | <u><b>\$0</b></u> | <u><b>\$0</b></u> |
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22 **SUMMARY**

23 This amendment is the majority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary.  
 24 It replaces the appropriations and allocations section in the resolve to transfer funds from  
 25 the All Other account of the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services to pay for the  
 26 independent, nonpartisan study.

27 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

28 **(See attached)**