

# Committee Amendment to LD 1159

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**LD 1159 – An Act to Prohibit Businesses from Refusing to Accept Cash for In-person Payments**

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

**Sec. 1. 10 MRSA c. 239 is enacted to read:**

## **CHAPTER 239**

### **PAYMENT BY CASH**

#### **§1500-Y. Payment by cash**

A municipality or other governmental entity offering goods or services for sale at retail that charges a customer a fee on purchases made by credit card may not refuse payment in the form of cash for the goods or services.

For purposes of this section, "sale at retail" means any retail transaction conducted in person and does not include a transaction conducted remotely by telephone, mail or the Internet.

## **SUMMARY**

This amendment, which is a minority report of the committee, replaces the bill. The amendment requires municipalities or other governmental entities that charge a credit card fee on the purchase of goods or services to accept cash.