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Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act Regarding Volunteer Lobbyists'

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

'**Sec. 1. 3 MRSA §312-A, sub-§10**, as repealed and replaced by PL 1993, c. 691, §5, is amended to read:

10. Lobbyist. "Lobbyist" means any person who is specifically employed by another person for the purpose of and who engages in lobbying in excess of 8 hours in any calendar month, or any individual who, as a regular employee of another person, expends an amount of time in excess of 8 hours in any calendar month in lobbying. "Lobbyist" does not include a lobbyist associate. "Lobbyist" does not include an individual who receives no compensation for lobbying other than reimbursement for lobbying-related travel within the State and reimbursement for other out-of-pocket expenditures made by the individual for printing, postage and food and lodging connected with lobbying activities paid for by the individual. For the purposes of this subsection, "reimbursement for other out-of-pocket expenditures" does not include reimbursement for the individual's time spent lobbying that would have been otherwise compensated by an employer or in the course of the individual's employment.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill. It provides that a person is not considered a lobbyist if that person receives only reimbursement for out-of-pocket expenditures for lobbying-related activities made during the course of lobbying and is not otherwise compensated.