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April 29, 1968

EXECUTIVE ORDER

by the

Governor of Maine

The State Planning Office, Chapter 533, Public Laws, January, 1968, was established effective April 26, 1968. Appropriations for an enlarged staff, including the State Planning Director, are not available until July 1, 1968. In the interim period to assure maximum continuity of the planning program, I am directing state planning activities to function as follows:

1) Council Order 954 was passed on April 24, effective April 26, transferring \$5,636 from Appropriation #4920, Department of Economic Development to State Planning Office, Appropriation #1512, Department of Executive. This included money for four positions of which two are vacant plus supporting money from the "All Other" category.

2) Appropriation Account #7715 containing Federal and State funds for State, local and regional planning assistance to be transferred by Department of Finance and Administration to the State Planning Office, Executive Department.

3) Until the Director has been appointed and the State Planning Office staffed, the Department of Economic Development will physically house the State Planning personnel, continue to maintain account ledgers, provide necessary clerical services, approve travel expenses, etc., for the State Planning personnel, prepare the payroll for those positions transferred from the Department of Economic Development to the State Planning Office, as well as prepare other disbursements under Account #1512 and #7715.

4) Expenses, payroll, and other charges against Account #7715 and Account #1512 will be signed by the Governor or his Administrative Assistant until the State Planning Director has taken office.

5) The ongoing State, regional, and local planning functions will continue with the contributed State services provided by a combination of facilities and personnel from the Department of Economic Development, the State Planning Office, or other State agency.

6) All Federal agencies with programs assisting planning activities at the State, regional, and local levels will be informed of the establishment of the State Planning Office and the transfer of responsibility from the Department of Economic Development to the Executive Department.

Respectfully,

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