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STATE OF MAINE SENATE (Filing No. S-277) 108TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A" to S.P. 500, L.D. 1786, Bill, "AN ACT Providing the Governor with the Authority to Reorganize a Department or Agency of State Government."

Amend the Bill in paragraph A by striking out all of the 2nd and 3rd underlined sentences and inserting in their place the following: '<u>He shall advertise and hold a public</u> <u>hearing on the reorganization to which the members of the</u> <u>Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial</u> <u>Affairs and the appropriate joint standing committee whose</u> <u>area of responsibility is involved would be invited. He</u> <u>shall then submit to the Legislature at a regular session a</u> <u>bill or resolve proposing the reorganization with a detailed</u> <u>impact statement, a fiscal note and any input submitted at the</u> <u>hearing. The reorganization shall become effective unless</u> <u>acted upon or modified by the Legislature within the</u> <u>first 45 legislative days in the case of the First Regular</u> <u>Session of a Legislature or the first 20 legislative days in</u> <u>the case of a 2nd Regular Session of a Legislature.'</u>

Statement of Fact

This amendment requires the Governor to advertise and hold a public hearing on reorganization plans to which would be invited members of the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and the joint standing committee whose area of responsibility is involved. It also then requires the Governor to submit a reorganization plan to a regular session of the Legislature and provides for a legislative veto.

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