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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-68)
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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 352, L.D. 449, Bill, "AN ACT to Place Responsibility for Preparation and Implementation of Emergency Evacuation Plans in the Bureau of Civil Emergency Preparedness."

Amend the Bill by inserting after the enacting clause the following:

'Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §51, first sentence, as/amended by PL 1975, c. 293, §4, is further amended to read:

The Governor, the Department of Human Services and, the Bureau of State Police and the Bureau of Civil Emergency Preparedness, or any person, department or agency designated by the Governor, shall have authority to enter into agreements, understandings or arrangements with any other department or agency of this State, any federal agency, state, political subdivision or person to provide for mutual aid plans, emergency plans, evacuation plans and their implementation and any other agreements deemed necessary to protect public and property in this State from hazards or dangers from radiation, radioactive materials, nuclear materials or the occurrence of a radiological incident as a result of the presence of, release of or emissions from radioactive materials, radioactivity or nuclear materials in this State.'

Further amend the Bill by inserting at the end before the statement of fact the following underlined blocked paragraph:

'The bureau shall submit to the Governor, not later than March 1, 1980, a plan to deal with nuclear accidents. The bureau may

submit to the Governor amendments to the plan to accommodate changes in conditions or for other reasons. Prior to submitting the original plan or any amendment, the bureau shall hold a public hearing on the plan or amendment, after publishing notice of the hearing in a newspaper of general circulation.'

Further amend the Bill by renumbering sections 1 and 2 to be sections 2 and 3.

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to require the Bureau of Civil Emergency Preparedness to submit a plan to deal with nuclear accidents, not later than March 1, 1980. The amendment also permits the bureau to submit amendments to the plan to accommodate changes in conditions or other reasons and requires the bureau to hold a public hearing, after notice, before submitting any plan.