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Reported by: Senator Hanley for the Committee

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 95, L.D. 235, Bill, "An Act to Provide the Maine Legislature with Additional Financial Information"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §1667-A is enacted to read:

**§1667-A. Access to budget management system data**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the State Budget Officer shall provide the Office of Fiscal and Program Review with electronic access, including report-writing capabilities, to those aspects of the budget management system presently referred to as the "budget analyst tool," except for those specific aspects of the system involved in budget recommendations that have been made or are being considered by the Governor or Governor-elect but have not yet been transmitted to the Legislature. For purposes of this section, "budget management system" and "budget analyst tool" include information used by the Bureau of the Budget to develop, analyze and review budgeted and actual revenue and expenditure information.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Legislative Council shall provide the Bureau of the Budget, upon the bureau's request, with enacted budget bills in a data processing form that permits the electronic conversion of data to the budget management system.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.'

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the statement of fact the following:

**FISCAL NOTE**

The additional costs to provide electronic access to the budget management system to the Office of Fiscal and Program Review for computer programming, wiring and software purchases can be absorbed by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services and the Legislature utilizing existing budgeted resources.'

**STATEMENT OF FACT**

This amendment further clarifies the aspects of the budget management system to which the Office of Fiscal and Program Review would be given access. It also provides the electronic transfer of enacted budget bills back to the Bureau of the Budget. Lastly, this amendment adds a fiscal note to the bill.