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16 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
120TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

18 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1745, L.D. 2219, Bill, "An
20 Act Amending the Membership of the Emergency Medical Services'
22 Board"

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

26 '**Resolve, to Establish the Committee to Study the Membership and
Practices of the Emergency Medical Services' Board'**

28 Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the
30 title and before the summary and inserting in its place the
following:

32 '**Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts and resolves of the
34 Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after
adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and**

36 **Whereas, the Legislature has received requests to amend the
38 membership of the Emergency Medical Services' Board; and**

40 **Whereas, the Legislature recognizes that there may be a
42 need to amend the membership as well review the current practices
of the Emergency Medical Services' Board; and**

44 **Whereas, the Legislature needs to comprehensively review
46 the membership and the current practices of the Emergency Medical
Services' Board before the Legislature proposes any amendment to
48 this important regulatory board; and**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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2 **Whereas**, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts
3 create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of
4 Maine and require the following legislation as immediately
5 necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and
6 safety; now, therefore, be it

7 **Sec. 1. Study committee established. Resolved:** That the
8 Committee to Study the Membership and Practices of the Emergency
9 Medical Services' Board, referred to in this resolve as the
10 "committee," is established; and be it further

11 **Sec. 2. Committee membership. Resolved:** That the committee
12 consists of the 13 members of the Joint Standing Committee on
13 Criminal Justice; and be it further

14 **Sec. 3. Chairs. Resolved:** That the Senate chair of the Joint
15 Standing Committee on Criminal Justice is the Senate chair of the
16 committee and the House of Representatives chair of the committee
17 is the House chair of the committee; and be it further

18 **Sec. 4. Meetings. Resolved:** That the chairs of the committee
19 shall call and convene the first meeting of the committee no
20 later than July 30, 2002. The committee may hold up to 3
21 meetings; and be it further

22 **Sec. 5. Duties. Resolved:** That the committee, working with the
23 Emergency Medical Services' Board, emergency medical services
24 providers and other interested parties, shall study and review:

25 1. The composition of the Emergency Medical Services' Board
26 to determine if that board's membership provides a fair and
27 balanced representation to the State;

28 2. The practices of the Emergency Medical Services' Board;
29 and

30 3. The communication and support provided by the Emergency
31 Medical Services' Board to emergency medical services providers
32 and consumers; and be it further

33 **Sec. 6. Staff assistance. Resolved:** That, upon approval of the
34 Legislative Council, the Office of Policy and Legal Analysis
35 shall provide necessary staffing services to the committee; and
36 be it further

37 **Sec. 7. Compensation. Resolved:** That the members of the
38 committee are entitled to the legislative per diem, as defined in
39 the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 2, and reimbursement
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for necessary expenses incurred for their attendance at authorized meetings of the committee; and be it further

Sec. 8. Report. Resolved: That the committee shall submit its report, together with any necessary implementing legislation, to the Legislature no later than November 6, 2002. The committee is authorized to introduce legislation related to its report to the First Regular Session of the 121st Legislature. If the committee requires a limited extension of time to conclude its work, it may apply to the Legislative Council, which may grant the extension; and be it further

Sec. 9. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

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Committee to Study the Membership and Practices of the Emergency Medical Services' Board

Initiative: Provides funds for the per diem and expenses of the Committee to Study the Membership and Practices of the Emergency Medical Services' Board.

General Fund	2001-02	2002-03
Personal Services	\$0	\$2,145
All Other	0	2,750
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General Fund Total	\$0	\$4,895

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

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

FISCAL NOTE

2002-03

APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS

General Fund	\$4,895
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The Legislature will require an additional General Fund appropriation of \$4,895 in fiscal year 2002-03 for the per diem

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2 and expenses of the Committee to Study the Membership and
Practices of the Emergency Medical Services' Board.

4 The additional costs associated with providing staffing
6 assistance to the committee during the interim between
legislative sessions can be absorbed by the Legislature utilizing
8 existing budgeted resources. If an extension of the reporting
deadline is granted and the committee requires staffing
10 assistance during the legislative session, the Legislature may
require an additional General Fund appropriation to contract for
staff services.'

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SUMMARY

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This amendment replaces the committee bill and is the
minority report. The amendment is a resolve that creates the
Committee to Study the Membership and Practices of the Emergency
Medical Services' Board. The committee is comprised of the
members of the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice. The
committee shall: review the composition of the Emergency Medical
Services' Board to determine if that board's membership provides
a fair and balanced representation to the State; review the
practices of the Emergency Medical Services' Board; and review
communication and support provided by the Emergency Medical
Services' Board to emergency medical services providers and
consumers. The committee shall submit its report, together with
any necessary implementing legislation, to the Legislature no
later than November 6, 2002. The committee is authorized to
introduce legislation related to its report to the First Regular
Session of the 121st Legislature. The amendment also adds an
appropriations and allocations section and a fiscal note to the
bill.