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No. 1872

S.P. 720

In Senate, February 25, 2004

An Act To Extend the Deadline for Reconsideration by Boards of Appeals

(AFTER DEADLINE)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator MITCHELL of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative McGOWAN of Pittsfield and
Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, GAGNON of Kennebec, GILMAN of Cumberland,
KNEELAND of Aroostook, WOODCOCK of Franklin, YOUNGBLOOD of Penobscot,
Representatives: DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, RICHARDSON of Brunswick.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

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Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §2691, sub-§3, ¶F, as amended by PL 1991, c. 234, is further amended to read:

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F. The board may reconsider any decision reached under this section within ~~30~~ 60 days of its prior decision. A request to the board to reconsider a decision must be filed within 20 days of the decision that is to be reconsidered. A vote to reconsider and the action taken on that reconsideration must occur and be completed within ~~30~~ 60 days of the date of the vote on the original decision. The board may conduct additional hearings and receive additional evidence and testimony as provided in this subsection.

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SUMMARY

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Current law requires a decision of a board of appeals to be appealed within 30 days of the decision.

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This bill requires a request to reconsider a decision to be filed within 20 days of the decision but extends the time for the board to reconsider the decision to 60 days.