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STATE OF MAINE SENATE 121ST LEGISLATURE SECOND SPECIAL SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT "D" to H.P. 1456, L.D. 1957, Bill, "An Act
To Implement the Recommendations of the Committee To Study Compliance with Maine's Freedom of Access Laws"

Amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the 20 enacting clause the following:

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

26 Whereas, it is important that the Committee to Study Compliance with Maine's Freedom of Access Laws, continued by this Act, be able to resume its work as soon as possible; and

30 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of 32 Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and 34 safety; now, therefore,'

36 Further amend the bill by inserting after section 10 the following:

'Sec. 11. Effective date. The following sections of this Act 40 take effect 90 days after adjournment of the Second Special Session of the 121st Legislature:

 Those sections of this Act that amend the Maine Revised
 Statutes, Title 1, section 405, subsection 4 and Title 29-A, section 2251, subsection 7;

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2. That section of this Act that repeals and replaces the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, section 408; and

3. That section of this Act that enacts Title 1, chapter 6 13, subchapter 1-A.

8 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect when approved, except as 10 otherwise indicated.'

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SUMMARY

This amendment adds an emergency preamble, an emergency 16 clause and an effective date section to the bill to allow the Committee to Study Compliance with Maine's Freedom of Access Laws 18 to resume its work immediately. The other sections of the bill amending the Maine Revised Statutes take effect 90 days after 20 adjournment of the Second Special Session of the 121st Legislature. 22

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