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#### STATE OF MAINE

#### SENATE

#### 132ND LEGISLATURE

#### FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 111, L.D. 245, "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Emergency Medical Services in the State"

Amend the bill in section 2 in c. 154 in §3172 in subsection 1 in the first line (page 2, line 1 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "may" and inserting the following: "shall"

Amend the bill in section 2 in c. 154 in §3172 in subsection 1 in the 3rd line (page 2, line 3 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "that elects to adopt such a plan"

Amend the bill in section 2 in c. 154 in §3172 in subsection 2 in the first line (page 2, line 7 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "If" and inserting the following: "When"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 3.

Amend the bill in section 4 in §99 by striking out all of subsection 2 (page 2, lines 24 to 41 and page 3, lines 1 to 23 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

**2. Members. The commission consists of 18 members as follows:**

**A. Two members of the Senate, including one member of the party holding the largest number of seats in the Legislature and one member of the party holding the 2nd largest number of seats in the Legislature, appointed by the President of the Senate;**

**B. Two members of the House of Representatives, including one member of the party holding the largest number of seats in the Legislature and one member of the party holding the 2nd largest number of seats in the Legislature, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;**

**C. The director or the director's designee;**

**D. The chair of the board or the chair's designee;**

**E. The following 6 members, appointed by the President of the Senate:**

**(1) A member who represents an organization that is primarily engaged in the provision of nonemergency medical transportation services;**

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- 1 (2) A member who is a practicing emergency medical services person;
- 2 (3) A member who represents a nonmunicipal ambulance service;
- 3 (4) A member who represents a municipal ambulance service;
- 4 (5) A representative of a statewide association representing hospitals; and
- 5 (6) A representative of a statewide association representing municipalities; and

6 F. The following 6 members, appointed by the Speaker of the House of  
 7 Representatives:

- 8 (1) A member representing an emergency medical services training center;
- 9 (2) A member who is a practicing emergency medical dispatcher primarily  
 10 working in an emergency medical dispatch center;
- 11 (3) A member who represents an air ambulance service;
- 12 (4) A representative of a statewide association representing ambulance services;
- 13 (5) A member who is a physician with expertise or a background in emergency  
 14 medical services; and
- 15 (6) A representative of a statewide association representing fire chiefs.'

16 Amend the bill in section 4 in §99 in subsection 5 in the first line (page 3, line 31 in  
 17 L.D.) by striking out the following: "14" and inserting the following: "10"

18 Amend the bill in section 5 in the 3rd line (page 4, line 38 in L.D.) by striking out the  
 19 following: "G, H and I" and inserting the following: "E and F"

20 Amend the bill by inserting after section 8 the following:

21 **'Sec. 9. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and  
 22 allocations are made.

23 **LEGISLATURE**

24 **Legislature 0081**

25 Initiative: Appropriates funds for the costs of Legislators serving on the Blue Ribbon  
 26 Commission to Study Emergency Medical Services in the State.

27 <b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2025-26</b>	<b>2026-27</b>
28 Personal Services	\$440	\$440
29 All Other	\$1,920	\$1,920
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31 <b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,360</b>	<b>\$2,360</b>

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 33 Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section  
 34 number to read consecutively.

35 **SUMMARY**

36 This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, amends the bill in the  
 37 following ways.

- 1           1. It requires rather than authorizes a municipality to adopt a plan stipulating the
- 2 method by which transporting emergency medical services will be delivered within the
- 3 municipality.
- 4           2. It removes from the bill the provision that amends the Maine Emergency Medical
- 5 Services Act of 1982 to authorize an emergency medical services provider to render
- 6 emergency medical services within a hospital or health care facility where the provider is
- 7 a contractor of the hospital or facility.
- 8           3. It modifies the membership of the Maine Emergency Medical Services Commission
- 9 established in the bill by reducing the total number of members from 26 to 18 and
- 10 incorporates other changes to the membership of the commission.
- 11           4. It adds an appropriations and allocations section.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

(See attached)

**132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE****LD 245****LR 202(02)****An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Emergency Medical Services in the State****Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-372)****Committee: Criminal Justice and Public Safety****Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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**Fiscal Note**

	<b>FY 2025-26</b>	<b>FY 2026-27</b>	<b>Projections FY 2027-28</b>	<b>Projections FY 2028-29</b>
<b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>				
General Fund	\$2,360	\$2,360	\$2,360	\$2,360
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
General Fund	\$2,360	\$2,360	\$2,360	\$2,360

**Fiscal Detail and Notes**

The bill includes ongoing General Fund appropriations of \$2,360 in each year beginning in fiscal year 2025-26 to the Legislature for the costs of Legislators serving on the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Emergency Medical Services in the State.

The bill includes language that the staffing of the commission, performing the structural reorganization proposal and developing and implementing a public information campaign will be done as resources allow. The Department of Public Safety (DPS) has indicated it would need a Business System Administrator and related costs to perform these tasks at an estimated cost of \$152,000 in fiscal year 2026-27. As this bill provides no new funding, the impact of these new unfunded costs on other programs in the DPS cannot be determined at this time.

Any additional costs to the Department of Health and Human Services and the Maine Community College System to participate in the Maine Emergency Medical Services Commission are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.