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## Chapter 145

### AN ACT Relating to the Administration of the Department of Audit.

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., T. 5, § 243, sub-§§ 5-A and 5-B, additional.** Section 243 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding 2 new subsections 5-A and 5-B, to read as follows:

**5-A. Budget and program review.** To review and study departmental budgets and capital programs for better and efficient management of State Government.

**5-B. Dedicated funds.** To review and study expenditures of the dedicated funds of independent boards and commissions.

**Sec. 2. R. S., T. 5, § 243, sub-§ 7, additional.** Section 243 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding a new subsection 7, to read as follows:

**7. Reports.** To report its findings, with recommendations, on any review or study to the Legislature.

**Sec. 3. R. S., T. 5, § 244, amended.** The 2nd and 3rd sentences of section 244 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes are amended to read as follows:

He shall prepare and publish a report for each fiscal year, setting forth the essential facts of such audit in summary form, within ~~4 months~~ **the following fiscal year** after the books of the State Controller have been officially closed. If he shall find in the course of his audit evidences of improper transactions, or of incompetence in keeping accounts or handling funds or of any other improper practice of financial administration, he shall report the same to the Governor and the Legislature immediately.

Effective September 23, 1971

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## Chapter 146

### AN ACT Relating to Legislative Ethics.

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

**R. S., T. 3, c. 19, additional.** Title 3 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new chapter 19, to read as follows: