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COORDINATION OF THE IMPACT OF FEDERAL ACTIVITIES

WHEREAS, The State of Maine continues to lose federal, military and civilian jobs while other sections of the country gain them, and

WHEREAS, the award or loss of major federal contracts and other federal expenditures have dramatic effects on the State of Maine's economy, and

WHEREAS, a policy of discrimination detrimental to all of New England has developed in the allocation of federal resources, and

WHEREAS, State government has a responsibility to protect the well-being of the citizens of the State,


NOW, THEREFORE, I, JAMES B. LONGLEY, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby declare that it is the policy of this administration to strive for a fair and equitable distribution of federal resources to the State of Maine and order that a Federal Activities Impact Coordinator be appointed, for as long as necessary, to help the State achieve this goal. The principal duties of the Federal Activities Impact Coordinator and State agencies are established as follows:

1. The Federal Activities Impact Coordinator shall coordinate the State's input into military or defense department decisions which could have a major impact on the people of the State. He shall serve as the central contact point at the State level, expedite State impact studies and coordinate the technical assistance efforts of State agencies with local communities and the Congressional delegation.

2. The State Planning Office shall conduct analyses of the Statewide economic impacts of major proposed federal actions.

3. The State Development Office shall assist in the evaluation of impacts on the business community and recommending ways to compensate for these impacts.

4. All State agencies shall cooperate with the Federal Activities Impact Coordinator and potentially affected communities in evaluating the impacts of proposed actions and the implications for State programs and responsibilities.



JAMES B. LONGLEY
Governor

