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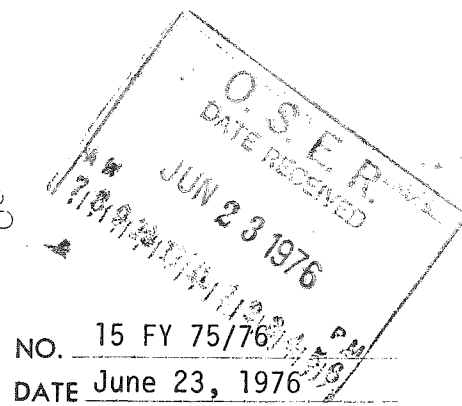
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PREPARATION FOR 108TH LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

WHEREAS, the 108th Legislature will meet in Regular Session on January 7, 1977 to consider the biennial budget, other essential statutory changes requiring legislative action, and,

WHEREAS, Committees of the 107th Legislature are assigned various studies in preparation for the Regular Session, and,

WHEREAS, there is a need to concentrate on some specific areas of citizen concern in our legislative preparations, we have created the five following task forces to work with agencies and departments in the preparation of a legislative program:

- I. Tax Reform
- II. Economic Policy and Development
- III. Budget Reform and Support Services
- IV. Government Reorganization
- V. Human Services Coordination

WHEREAS, proposals submitted for consideration to the 108th Regular Session should be well prepared and of high priority,

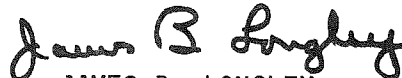
NOW, THEREFORE, I, JAMES B. LONGLEY, Governor of the State of Maine do hereby establish the following procedures for review of budget and statutory requests prior to their submission to the 108th Legislature and direct all departments and agency heads to submit such budgetary and statutory requests they wish to have considered.

Proposals will be submitted by State agencies, committees and Task Forces. The proposals will be coordinated for the Governor's review by the Department of Finance and Administration, the State Planning Office and the Governor's staff. Coordination for the Governor's review of financial and budgetary proposals will be through the Department of Finance and Administration and coordination of all proposed statutory changes for the Governor's review will be handled through the State Planning Office.

1. September 1, 1976. Budget requests should be submitted by State agencies for review and evaluation by the Department of Finance and Administration, Bureau of the Budget. Supplemental instructions for Budget preparation will be forwarded from the Bureau of the Budget.

2. September 15, 1976. Proposed statutory changes should be submitted by State agencies, task forces and others to the State Planning Office, Attention: Carolyn Manson, for coordination, review and evaluation.
3. Review and Evaluation of Statutory Changes. Agencies should submit, on or before September 15, 1976, an original and four (4) copies of all proposals on the attached forms. Initial receipt of these proposals will be acknowledged by the State Planning Office. Agencies will be notified of final determination by Governor Longley.

With this order I am attaching certain policy guidelines for your use in preparing and developing your requests.

  
JAMES B. LONGLEY  
GOVERNOR OF MAINE