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OFFICE OF
THE GOVERNOR

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**AN ORDER CREATING BUSINESS LIAISONS TO ASSIST JOB
CREATORS IN INTERACTIONS WITH STATE GOVERNMENT**

WHEREAS, State agencies work for all the people of Maine;

WHEREAS, it can be difficult for private parties to understand or navigate bureaucratic processes;

WHEREAS, establishing a primary point of contact in State Departments for business concerns would assist job creators in moving plans forward; and

WHEREAS, a similar scheme has been useful for the public to send requests under Maine's Freedom of Access Act;

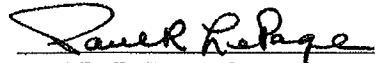
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Paul R. LePage, Governor of the State of Maine, hereby order as follows:

1. The Commissioners of the following Departments shall name "Business Assistance Liaisons":
 - a. Department of Administrative and Financial Services;
 - b. Department of Agriculture;
 - c. Department of Conservation;
 - d. Department of Corrections;
 - e. Department of Defense, Veterans, and Emergency Management;
 - f. Department of Economic and Community Development;
 - g. Department of Education;
 - h. Department of Environmental Protection;
 - i. Department of Health and Human Services;
 - j. Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife;
 - k. Department of Labor;
 - l. Department of Marine Resources;
 - m. Department of Professional and Financial Regulation;
 - n. Department of Public Safety; and
 - o. Department of Transportation.

2. The duties of the Business Assistance Liaisons are:
 - a. To respond to requests for information, requests for assistance, complaints concerning the Department, and other issues as raised by Maine's job creators;
 - b. To work with Department staff to create a culture that simultaneously protects the interests of Maine people, as determined by their elected officials, and assists job creators in starting new projects to grow Maine's economy; and
 - c. To inform the Commissioner and the Governor of challenges faced by the public in navigating the processes of the Department and whether those challenges stem from internal policy, regulations, Executive Orders, or statutes.

3. The Department of Economic and Community Development shall establish a page in a conspicuous location on the State website to clearly identify the Business Assistance Liaisons.

The effective date of this Executive Order is June 1, 2011.



Paul R. LePage, Governor