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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 104TH LEGISLATURE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 641, L. D. 1812, Bill, "An ACT to Promote Governmental Reorganization and Efficiency."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of that part designated "PART A" and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 1. Purpose. The Governor in cooperation with the Subcommittee on Governmental Operations of the Legislative Research Committee is authorized and requested to cause to be studied the possible consolidation of existing agencies along functionally homogeneous lines in order to provide a more effective, efficient and economical State Government, and have recommendations prepared and submitted to the next regular session of the Legislature.

Sec. 2. Secretaries. To carry out the purposed of this Part, the Governor with the approval of the Subcommittee on Governmental Operations of the Legislative Research Committee is authorized to appoint persons qualified by training and experience as a Secretary for Manpower, a Secretary for Natural Resources, a Secretary for Transportation and a Secretary for Cultural Affairs. In the event a secretary is named who during the term of his employment is an officer or employee of the State of Maine, he shall receive no additional compensation beyond that which he would otherwise receive.

Sec. 3. Powers and duties. Each secretary will, in the performance of his duties, have access to all fiscal and

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personnel records and such information as is necessary to be considered in relationship to reorganization. Each secretary shall be responsible for reorganizing and supervising the necessary studies and preparing appropriate recommendations for administrative reorganization in the area of his concern. In discharging his responsibilities, the secretary shall encourage full and free participation of the agencies concerned, the public and other interested parties. No information or records declared by statute to be confidential shall be available.

Sec. 4. Reports. There shall be prepared for the Legislature recommendations setting out the substantive re-organizations suggested with accompanying budget recommendations and necessary statutory and administrative changes.

Sec. 5. Responsibilities. The Secretary of Manpower's responsibility shall extend to but not be limited to the Employment Security Commission, the Department of Labor and Industry, the Industrial Accident Commission, The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation of the Department of Health and Welfare and the vocational education responsibilities of the Department of Education; the Secretary for Natural Resources' responsibility shall extend to but not be limited to the Department of Inland Fisheries and Came, the Department of Forestry, the Department of Sea and Shore Fisheries, the State Parks and Recreation Com-

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mission, the Mining Bureau, the State Geologist and the Soil and Water Conservation Commission; the Secretary for Transportations' responsibility shall extend to but not be limited to the Aeronautics Department, the Highway Commission, the Port Authority and the Motor Vehicle Division of the Department of State; and the Secretary for Cultural Affairs' responsibility shall extend to but not be limited to the State Library, the State Museum, the Archivist, the Arts and Humanities Commission and the State Historian.

Sec. 6. Authority. The authority granted in this Part shall expire June 30, 1971.'

Reported by a Committee of Conference.

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