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STATE OF MAINE SENATE 106TH LEGISLATURE

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1549, L.D. 1983, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to County Estimates."

Amend said Bill in section 3-A by striking out the first paragraph after the amending clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

'1. County finance committee. There is established in each county a county finance committee. The committee shall elect a chairman by majority vote who shall serve at the pleasure of the committee. A majority of the committee shall constitute a quorum for conducting the business of the committee. Vacancies in the municipal membership on the committee shall be filled by the municipality represented on the committee by the vacant position. The person to fill the vacant position shall be selected in the same manner as the original representative from the municipality, to serve the remainder of the term of the person whose vacancy exists. The members of the committee shall receive their annual expenses incurred while in performance of their official duties.'

Further amend said Bill in section 3-A by striking out all of paragraph A of subsection 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

'A. Municipal membership. Each municipality within the county shall select one person to serve on the county finance committee, except that every municipality with a population of over 10,000 shall select one person for each 10,000 population. The person or persons who are to serve on the county finance committee shall

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be chosen by the municipal officers and shall be municipal officers of the municipality which they are to represent. The term of each municipal representative shall be for one year, to commence on January 1 of the year for which the municipal representative is selected.'

Further amend said Bill in section 7 by inserting in the 4th line of the 2nd paragraph of that part designated "§409." after the underlined word "provisions" the underlined words 'only after issuance of such bonds has been approved by the voters' (3rd line of L.D.)

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to achieve broader representation for municipalities on the county finance committee and to clarify the provision relating to bonds.

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