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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to H.P. 1865, L.D. 2359, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Certain Bureaus in the Department of Finance and Administration."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of section 1.

Further amend said Bill in section 9 by striking out all of the first paragraph of that part designated "\$1666" and inserting in place thereof the following:

'The Governor-elect or the Governor, with the assistance of the State Budget Officer, shall review the budget estimates, altering, revising, increasing or decreasing the items of said estimates as may be deemed necessary in view of the needs of the various departments and agencies and the total anticipated income of the State Government during the ensuing fiscal year. Such review shall cover all budgets regardless of source of funds, including, but not limited to, budgets related to the Highway Fund, the federal Revenue Sharing Fund, and other special revenue funds. The State Budget Officer, at the direction of the Governor-elect or the Governor shall then prepare a state budget document in the form required by law. The Governor-elect or the Governor shall be fully responsible for all budgetary recommendations made to the Legislature. The Governor shall transmit said budget document to the Legislature not later than the close of the 2nd week of the legislative session. A Governor-elect to his first term of office shall transmit said budget document to the Legislature not later than the close of the 6th week of the legislative session.'

Further amend said Bill in section 10 by striking out in the next to the last line (same in L.D.) the underlined figure "\$500" and inserting in place thereof the following: '\$250'

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Further amend said Bill by striking out all of section 11.

Further amend said Bill by renumbering section 2 to 10 to be 1 to 9.

Statement of Fact

This amendment deletes references in the bill to the payment of wages and the registry of suppliers to the State. It provides for a time limit by which the Governor or Governor-elect shall have transmitted the budget document to the Legislature and clarifies the budget review requirements. It also adjusts the limit below which competitive bidding may be waived by the State Purchasing Agent.

Reported by REPORT "A" of the Committee on State Government.

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