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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
107TH LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 257, L.D.833,
Bill, "AN ACT Requiring that the Judicial Council
Report to the Legislature."

Amend said Bill by striking out everything
after the enacting clause and before the
Statement of Fact and inserting in place thereof
the following:

'Sec. 1. 1 MRSA §501 is repealed and the
following enacted in place thereof:

§ 501. State agency defined

As used in this subchapter, the word "agency"
shall mean a state department, agency, office,
board, commission; or quasi-independent agency,
board, commission, authority or institution.

Sec. 2. 1 MRSA §501-A is enacted to read:

§ 501-A. Publications of state agencies

The publications of all agencies may be
printed, bound and distributed, subject to Title 5,
sections 43 through 46. The State Purchasing
Agent may determine the style in which such
publications may be printed and bound, with the
approval of the Governor. At least 80 copies of
any annual or biennial report not included in the
Maine State Government Annual ~~Annual~~ → Report
provided for in Title 5, sections 43 through 46,
shall be delivered to the State Librarian,
immediately upon receipt by the State Purchasing
Agent for exchange and library use; the balance of
the number of each such report shall be delivered by
the State Purchasing Agent to the agency preparing
the report. At least 18 copies of all other
publications, including periodicals, bulletins,
pamphlets, leaflets and special reports issued by
any agency or by any legislative committee shall be
delivered to the State Librarian. The agency or
committee preparing a publication shall have the
authority to determine the date on which a

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publication may be released, except as may be otherwise provided by law.

Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §43, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 612, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 43. Annual reports of state agencies

As used in sections 43 through 46, the word "agency" shall mean a state department, agency, office, board, commission or quasi-independent agency, board, commission, authority or institution, and state institutions of higher learning.

The administrative head or body of each agency shall, on or before September 1st, annually, deliver to the Governor a report of such agency during the preceding fiscal year ending June 30th. An agency using a fiscal year other than that used by the State may report on the basis of its preceding fiscal year. The Legislative branch, through the Legislative Council, and the Judicial branch, through the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, may also submit reports of these branches of State Government for the previous fiscal year.

The Governor shall immediately cause such reports to be edited with regard to content, arrangement and brevity, except that the constitutional officers elected by the Legislature, the Legislative Council, and the Chief Justice shall approve any editing of their respective reports.

The Governor shall consolidate such reports and shall cause them to be printed and published in convenient form for distribution and sale as a public document entitled "The Maine State Government Annual Report" no later than December 31st.

The State Purchasing Agent shall distribute a reasonable number of copies of the report to each reporting agency, to legislative staff agencies, and to each member of the Legislature, or, in the even-numbered years, to each member-elect taking office the following January. Eighty copies of the report shall be delivered to the State Librarian for exchange and library use. The State Purchasing Agent shall prorate the cost of the report among the reporting agencies. He shall provide for the sale of additional copies of the report to state agencies and the public at a reasonable price

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sufficient to cover the cost of printing and distribution. The income received under this section shall be credited to an Intragovernmental Service Account which shall be carried forward and expended by the State Purchasing Agent for the purposes of sections 43 through 46.

Sec. 4. 5 MRSA §45, first sentence, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 612, is amended to read:

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Governor may discontinue the publication of any other annual or ~~biannual~~ biennial report which duplicates the report material provided for in section 43, except for reports of the constitutional officers elected by the Legislature, reports of the legislative and judicial branches of government, and state institutions of higher learning.

Sec. 5. 5 MRSA §46, first ¶, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 612, is amended to read:

Descriptions of expenditures under all funds and accounts shall be made in using generally the following categories and subcategories:

Statement of Fact

This amendment:

1. Amends Title 1 as it relates to state agency reports to be consistent with Title 5, sections 43 to 46.
2. Provides for the further consolidation of the reports of all state agencies and all branches of government, with appropriate consideration of the separation between the branches of state government. The reports of quasi-independent agencies such as the Maine Turnpike Authority and the University of Maine are also to be included in the State ~~administrative report.~~
3. Provides 80 copies of the State ~~administrative report~~ to the State Librarian.
4. Provides for the sale of the State ~~administrative report~~ to state agencies and the

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public through the State Purchasing Agent or his designee.

5. Provides for reasonable discretion in determining how specific expenditures are to be listed.

Reported by the Committee on State Government.

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