

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1100

S. P. 323

In Senate, March 19, 1975

On Motion of Senator Curtis of Penobscot referred to the Committee on State Government. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Marcotte of York.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FIVE

**AN ACT to Require the Bureau of Purchases to Publish a Manual on
State Purchasing.**

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

5 MRSA § 1825 is enacted to read:

§ 1825. Manual on state purchasing

The Bureau of Purchases shall prepare and publish a manual on state purchasing. The manual shall include a copy of the statutes and of the bureau's regulations, a detailed statement in nontechnical language of the policy of state purchases and of the bidding procedure, and a list of items purchased by the bureau. Copies of the manual shall be distributed to the Governor, the Legislature, the Department of Commerce and Industry and the United States Small Business Administration and copies shall be made available to the citizens of Maine. The manual shall be revised biennially.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The bill is the result of a study by the Joint Standing Committee on Business Legislation of the 106th Legislature on the policy of the Bureau of Purchases with respect to small businesses within the State.

The purpose of the bill is to provide more information, especially to small businesses, about the state purchasing system and thereby to encourage greater participation in bidding for state purchases. The bill would accomplish this by requiring the Bureau of Purchases to publish and distribute a manual on state purchasing.