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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE (Filing No. S-224)
108TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 148, L.D. 390, RESOLVE,
to Evaluate Substate Districts in Maine.

Amend the Resolve by striking out everything after
the 7th paragraph and inserting in its place the following:

'Committee on Regional and District Organizations;
Resolved:
created. That a Select Committee on Regional and District
Organizations be formed, consisting of the Senators and
Representatives appointed to the Joint Standing Committee on
Local and County Government, and 4 additional members, to be
appointed by the Governor from citizens familiar with
governmental service delivery systems and federal and state
agency programs.

The purpose of this committee is to:

1. Inventory the total governmental service delivery system in Maine in terms of substate service areas and service functions;
2. Evaluate the degree of implementation of the 1972 executive order establishing planning and development districts;
3. Indicate the relative merits and problems associated with the reduction of service delivery areas; and
4. Recommend what changes can and should be made in substate districts, agencies and counties in order to more efficiently deliver government services and to make the

delivery system and decision-making process more accessible to Maine residents; and be it further

Resolved: That the committee shall choose a chairman from among its membership. The members of the committee shall be compensated at the same rate as members of the Legislature and shall be reimbursed for their reasonable expenses in attending meetings, procuring supplies, correspondence and other related and necessary expenditures. The committee may use the technical and staff resources of the State Planning Office and other appropriate agencies as well as the legislative staff. The committee shall report the results of its findings, together with any proposed recommendations and draft legislation necessary to implement its findings, to the Legislative Council not later than December 1, 1977, or 90 days prior to the beginning of the First Regular Session of the 109th Legislature.

Appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Legislature the sum of \$12,750 to carry out the purposes of this ~~R~~esolve. The breakdown shall be as follows:

	<u>1977-78</u>	<u>1978-79</u>
LEGISLATIVE ACCOUNT		
Committee on Regional and District Organizations		
Personal Services	\$4,250	\$2,125
All Other	4,250	2,125

Fiscal Note

The appropriation in this new draft is required to meet the per diem and expenses of the committee. The amount is based on an estimated 10 meetings the first fiscal year and 5 meetings the 2nd fiscal year.

Statement of Fact

The purposes of this amendment are to change the study committee from a citizen's advisory committee to a combined citizen and legislative committee, to change the reporting date to the beginning of the 2nd Regular Session of the 108th Legislature ^{to} or/ the First Regular Session of the 109th Legislature and to add an appropriation.

Reported by the Committee on Local and County Government.

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