

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 896

S. P. 283

Referred to Committee on State Government and ordered printed.

In Senate, March 15, 1977

Sent down for concurrence

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary

Presented by Senator Collins of Aroostook.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT to Articulate Lines of Authority for all State-Budgeted Programs.

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

5 MRSA § 44, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 612, is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph to read:

Each agency shall include in its report an outline in chart form of any program administered by it which is funded in whole or part by federal funds or by which it transfers state funds to a county or municipality. This chart shall outline all internal and external lines of authority from the funding source to the recipient of the funds. This chart shall also contain an outline of specific rule-making, fact-finding and enforcement responsibilities for each level of government, including federal, state, county and municipal levels, which are involved in the program.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to articulate lines of authority for all state-budgeted programs. Much legislation at the state level has been rendered ineffective by federal timetables, grant stipulation, rules, regulations and the like. An up-to-date view of the Maine Legislature's authority in this area is needed to permit Maine citizens to have an overall knowledge of the administrative decision-making process.