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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A" to H.P. 1128, L.D. 1345, Bill, "AN ACT to Amend the Membership and the Legislative Mandate of the Capitol Planning Commission."

Amend the Bill by striking out all of section 1 except the amending clause and inserting in its place the following:

'The commission shall consist of 7 members as follows:

Director of Public Improvements. The Director of
Public Improvements;

2. Director of the State Planning Office. The Director of the State Planning Office;

3. Councilman. A councilman from the City of Augusta to be appointed by the Governor for a term of one year;

4. Resident. One resident of the Capital Planning District to be appointed by the Governor for a term of 2 years; and

5. Members-at-large. Three citizens of the State to be appointed by the Governor for terms of 2 years; except that the first appointed member shall be appointed for a term of one year.

Each appointed member shall serve for the term of his appointment and thereafter until his successor is appointed and qualified. A vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner in which the original appointment is made. The members of the commission shall serve without compensation, but shall receive their necessary expenses.'

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Further amend the Bill by inserting at the end before the statement of fact the following sentence: 'As vacancies become available subsequent to the effective date of this Act, the Governor may use his discretion in the sequence with which he satisfies appointment to the 5 classes of members listed in section 1.'

Statement of Fact

The purposes of this amendment are to:

Change the composition of the Capitol Planning
Commission. The law currently provides simply for 5 members
appointed by the Governor, serving overlapping terms of 5 years.
This amendment retains the 7-member commission proposed in the
bill but strikes the required membership of the *d*irector of
Maine
the/State Housing Authority and a Legislator from Augusta;
reduces the number of members who are residents of the
Capitol Planning District from 2 to one; and adds 3 members-at-large; and

 Clarify the appointing authority of the Governor in the transition between the commission as currently constituted and as it is to be constituted under this amendment.

Reported by the Committee on State Government.

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