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### ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

No. 1636

H. P. 1393 House of Representatives, April 14, 1977 On Motion of Mr. Curran of South Portland, referred to the Committee on Performance Audit. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mrs. Najarian of Portland.

Cosponsors: Mrs Kany of Waterville, Mr. Wilfong of Stow and Mr. Spencer of Standish.

### STATE OF MAINE

## IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT to Provide for Legislative Review of Federal Grant Applications by State Agencies.

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

5. MRSA c. 151-A is enacted to read:

## CHAPTER 151-A

### LEGISLATIVE REVIEW

§ 1705. Legislative review of federal grant applications

The director of a state agency shall submit a copy of each federal grant application to the Legislative Council, the Legislative Finance Officer and the members of the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs at the same time that such application is submitted to the Federal Government.

## § 1706. Definitions

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following words shall have the following meanings.

1. Federal grant application. "Federal grant application" shall mean any request or proposal for financial assistance made by a state agency or by an employee of such an agency acting in his official capacity to the United States Government, whether for a loan, grant, subsidy, augmentation, advance, reimbursement, or any other form where such financial assistance will be ex-

pended by the state agency or employee acting in his official capacity. The definition shall include initial requests or proposals and subsequent amendment requests or proposals. The definition shall not include federal pass-through funds which are received by the State Government and passed directly to local government and where the State is permitted no discretion with respect to disposition of the funds under the terms of the grant and federal law.

2. State agency. "State agency" shall mean each department and agency of State Government required to comply with chapter 149, except that the term "state agency" shall not include the University of Maine or the Maine Maritime Academy.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to require state agencies to send to the Legislature copies of all federal grant applications.