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H. P. 759 House of Representatives, March 2, 1979 On Motion of Mrs. Kany of Waterville, referred to the Committee on State Government. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Jackson of Yarmouth. Cosponsor: Miss Gavett of Orono.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT Concerning Public Agencies Contracting for Architectural Services.

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA § 1742, sub-§ 6, is amended to read:

6. Approve selection of architects and engineers. To approve the selection of qualified practicing Maine registered architects and engineers in the planning and supervision of construction and public improvements; and shall adopt after notice and hearing, in accordance with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act, chapter 375, procedures for the procurement of professional architectural and enginering services required by the State or any of its agencies or funded wholly or in part by the State or any of its agencies. The procedures adopted shall be based upon evaluation of the professional qualifications deemed necessary for satisfactory performance. The procedures, once adopted, shall be made available to all agencies and political subdivisions of the State;

Sec. 2. 5 MRSA § 1743, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 303, § 1, is amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, contracts for professional architectural and engineering services between the State or any of its agencies or funded wholly or in part by the State or any of its agencies, shall be awarded in accordance with the procedures for selection of professional architectural and engineering services adopted by the bureau in accordance with section 1742, subsection 6.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to require that the State or its agencies, establish procedures for the procurement of architectural or engineering services which will help insure that the architects and engineers are qualified and competent.