

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 990

H. P. 791

House of Representatives, March 5, 1979

On Motion of Mr. Connolly of Portland, referred to the Committee on Education.  
Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Barry of Fort Kent.

Cosponsors: Mr. Lougee of Island Falls, Mr. Higgins of Scarborough and Mrs.  
Berube of Lewiston.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-NINE

**AN ACT to Provide for a Legislative Management Audit of the University of  
Maine.**

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

**Sec. 1. Audit of University of Maine.** The Joint Standing Committee on Audit and Program Review shall engage an independent auditor to conduct a management audit of the University of Maine. The audit shall include, but not be limited to, an investigation of the present structure of the university system in relation to the educational needs of the citizens of Maine and an evaluation of the efficiency of the university's operations. The committee shall select the auditor, and the University of Maine shall cooperate with the committee and with the auditor selected to ensure the completion of the audit. The auditor shall work for and under the direction of the committee according to such terms as the committee may determine are necessary and reasonable.

The committee shall submit to the Legislature prior to January 1, 1981 a report of the findings of the auditor together with any recommendations of the committee for legislative action, in final draft form.

**Sec. 2. Appropriation.** The following funds shall be appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

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Audit and Program Review

\$40,000

These funds to be used to engage an auditor to carry out the audit authorized by section 1 of this Act. These funds shall not lapse but shall be carried forward until January 1, 1981 to carry out the purposes of this Act.

## STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to provide for a management audit of the University of Maine. The bill appropriates \$40,000 to the Joint Standing Committee on Audit and Program Review to engage an auditor to carry out the audit.