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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-886)
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SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P.
831, L.D. 1038, Bill, "AN ACT to Provide for County Self-
government."

Amend the Amendment by inserting after the first para-
graph the following:

'Sec. 1. 30 MRSA §152 is amended to read:

§152. Quorum

~~Two~~ A majority of the commissioners constitute a quorum.
When ~~only one attends, he~~ fewer attend, they may adjourn to a
convenient time and place. When no commissioner attends, the
clerk may adjourn as provided in Title 4, section 112.'

Further amend the Amendment by / ^{renumbering} sections 1 to 24 to
be sections 2 to 25.

Further amend the Amendment in the last paragraph before
the statement of fact by striking out in the 3rd line the
underlined word "December" and inserting in its place the under-
lined word 'October'

Further amend the Amendment in the last paragraph before
the statement of fact by striking out in the 2nd line from the
end the underlined word "February" and inserting in its place
the underlined word 'December'

Further amend the Amendment by adding at the end before the statement of fact the following:

'Sec. 26. 30 MRSA §1605 is enacted to read:

§1605. Budget procedures

Any county adopting an alternative method of appropriating money for county expenditures, as authorized by section 1604, shall require in the charter that the county officers hold one or more public hearings in the county on the budget estimates prior to October 1st. A copy of the final budget estimates shall be filed, on forms approved by the Department of Audit, with the State Auditor, who shall retain them for a period of 3 years.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to change from December 1st to October 1st the deadline for submission of the budget estimate and to change from February 15th to December 15th the deadline for acting on the budget. The amendment also clarifies quorum and budget provisions in the bill.

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