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## STATE OF MAINE (filing No. S-104) SENATE 110TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 337, L.D. 965, Bill, "AN ACT to Authorize a Bond Issue for Somerset County to Renovate the Existing Somerset County Detention Facility."

Amend the Bill by inserting after the title and before the enacting clause the following:

'<u>Emergency preamble.</u> Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, a possibility exists that the Somerset County jail may be required to close for failure to receive a favorable inspection report; and

Whereas, such a closing would result in a great cost to the taxpayers of Somerset County; and

Whereas, Somerset County desires to have a referendum as soon as possible on the proposed bond issue to improve the jail; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,'

Further amend the Bill in section 5, 4th paragraph; in the first sentence by striking out the words "This Act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof immediately upon its acceptance"



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and inserting in its place the words 'Acceptance of this Act shall be'

Further amend the Bill by inserting before the Statement of Fact the following:

'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof immediately upon its acceptance as provided in section 5.'

## Statement of Fact

This amendment changes the bill into emergency legislation.

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