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STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
110TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

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OF R.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 376, L.D. 1134, Bill,  
"AN ACT to Create a Department of Corrections."

Amend the Bill in section 1 in that part designated  
"§31." by inserting at the end the following:

'The Legislature intends that the funds appropriated for the enactment of this chapter be used for the improvement and reorganization of the Department of Corrections and for the hiring of 3 additional staff members.'

Further amend the Bill in section 5 by striking out all of subsection 2 and inserting in its place the following:

'2. There is established a Transitional Committee to assist the department in the preparation of such legislation, which shall consist of a member of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House and a member of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate; the chairman of the Governor's Correctional Advisory Commission; the Commissioner of Corrections; the Commissioner of Mental Health and Mental Retardation; a correctional administrator from within the Bureau of Corrections; a member of the Juvenile Justice Advisory Commission appointed by the Governor; a representative of the Maine Sheriffs' Association; a representative of the Governor; and a representative of the Attorney General.

The committee may consult with professional experts in the field of corrections and public administration to assist it as it deems necessary.

The committee shall go out of existence no later than November 30, 1982.'

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Statement of Fact

This amendment makes specific note that the appropriation is to cover the hiring of 3 additional staff members for the Department of Corrections.

The Advisory Committee is renamed the Transitional Committee and its membership is enlarged by adding the Commissioner of Mental Health and Mental Retardation and a representative of the Maine Sheriffs' Association. The committee will remain in existence through the 110th Legislature.

Reported by the Committee on Health and Institutional Services.

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