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L.D. 2330

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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
112TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 1652, L.D. 2330,
Bill, "AN ACT to Establish a Commission to Examine
the Availability, Quality and Delivery of Services
Provided to Children with Special Needs.

Amend the bill by striking out all of the title
and inserting in its place the following: 'AN ACT to
Extend the Commission to Examine the Availability,
Quality and Delivery of Services Provided to Children
with Special Needs.'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after
the title and inserting in its place the following:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legis-
lature do not become effective until 90 days after
adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, pursuant to Resolve, 1983, chapter 47, a
Commission on the Availability, Quality and Delivery
of Services Provided to Children with Special Needs
was established; and

Whereas, that resolve required that the commis-
sion submit a report, together with any legislation,
to the Second Regular Session of the 111th Legisla-
ture; and

Whereas, pursuant to Resolve 1983, chapter 86,
the commission was extended an additional year; and

Whereas, further extension of the commission into
the First Regular Session of the 113th Legislature
would allow the commission to complete its report and
prepare more comprehensive recommendations; and

Whereas, unless this legislation is enacted as

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1 emergency legislation, the commission will expire
2 without having fully completed its very important
3 task; and

4 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature,
5 these facts create an emergency within the meaning of
6 the Constitution of Maine and require the following
7 legislation as immediately necessary for the preser-
8 vation of the public peace, health and safety; now,
9 therefore,

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

12 **Sec. 1. Resolve 1983, c. 47, 3rd ¶, as amended**
13 **by Resolve 1983, c. 86, is further amended to read:**

14 **Resolved:** That the commission meet at least 3
15 times as a committee of the whole, and at such other
16 times in subcommittees, as necessary, to study the
17 problem through examination of data from Maine and
18 other states, to consult with recognized experts in
19 these areas, to conduct public hearings throughout
20 the State and to prepare an interim report which
21 shall be distributed throughout the State and submit
22 to the Second Regular Session of the 111th Legisla-
23 ture and a final report which shall be distributed
24 throughout the State and submitted, together with any
25 accompanying legislation, to the First Regular Ses-
26 sion of the ~~112th~~ 113th Legislature; and be it fur-
27 ther

28 **Sec. 2. Appropriation.** The sum of \$8,700 shall
29 be appropriated to the Legislative Account to carry
30 out the purposes of this Act. Any unexpended funds
31 shall remain in the Legislative Account. These funds
32 are to be used for the commission to hold 3 meetings
33 in fiscal year 1986-87 and for report printing costs.

34 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited
35 in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when ap-
36 proved.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

2 This amendment removes the commission from the
3 Maine Revised Statutes and extends the commission for
4 an additional year.

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