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1 2	FIRST REGULAR SESSION
3 4	ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE
5 6	Legislative Document NO. 15
7 8 9	H.P. 16 House of Representatives, January 12, 1987 Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed. EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk Presented by Representative Vose of Eastport.
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12 13	STATE OF MAINE
14 15 16	IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN
17 18 19 20	AN ACT to Specify How the Authority of Washington County Commissioners may be Exercised.
21 22	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
23 24	30 MRSA §66, as amended by PL 1983, c. 357, is further amended to read:
25	§66. County commissioners' authority
26 27 28 29 30 31 32	The county commissioners shall have final authority over the operation of all county offices by elected or appointed county officers, except in circumstances for which a County Personnel Board has been established under subchapter VII with the powers and duties set forth in that subchapter and in section 64-A. It is the intent of this section that the

1 2	county commissioners shall act as a board and not on an individual basis in exercising this authority.
3	In Washington County, county commissioners shall ex-
4	ercise their authority over county functions only
5	through the department heads responsible. The com-
6	missioners shall not give any order directly to any
7	county employee except the head of the department re-
8	sponsible for the function to which the order per-
9	tains.
10	STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill requires that county commissioners give orders to department heads and not to subordinate department employees.