

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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No. 1050

S.P. 406

In Senate, April 5, 1989

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator WEBSTER of Franklin.

Cosponsored by Representative BAILEY of Farmington and Representative RICHARD of Madison.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-NINE

An Act to Establish a Fund to Assist Towns with Small Water Systems.



1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

3 **Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §3305, sub-§1, ¶G,** as amended by PL 1987, c.
534, Pt. A, §§10 and 19, is further amended to read:

5 G. As coordinating agency:

7 (1) Act as the coordinating agency between the several
9 officers, authorities, boards, commissions, departments
11 and divisions of the State in matters relative to the
13 physical development of the State and review the
15 proposals of those agencies in the light of their
17 relationship to the adopted goals and policies and
incorporate such reviews in the reports of the office.
Nothing in this section may be construed as limiting
the powers and duties of any officer, authority, board,
commission, department or political subdivision of the
State; and

19 (2) Provide general coordination and review of plans
21 in functional areas of State Government as may be
23 necessary for receipt of federal funds; and

25 **Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §3305, sub-§1, ¶H,** as amended by PL 1987, c.
534, Pt. A, §§11 and 19, is further amended to read:

27 H. Compile, analyze and maintain information useful to the
29 development of industry in the State concerning resources,
31 sites, space, equipment, adequate housing, contracts,
33 materials, transportation, markets, labor supply, population
35 trends and other economic considerations and shall measure
37 and monitor economic distress and poverty in the State on an
39 ~~en-going~~ ongoing basis. The State Planning Office, in
41 conjunction with the Department of Economic and Community
43 Development, shall study problems peculiar to the industry
45 and economy of this State with a view toward the broader
47 utilization of our natural resources, which studies shall be
49 advanced by coordination of research with existing private
and governmental agencies and educational institutions, and
may be advanced by contractual relations with persons or
organizations equipped to conduct the needed research. The
State Planning Office shall, upon request from the Governor
or any state department, assist in the preparation of
reports regarding the responsibilities and duties provided
by this subsection, including regular analysis of poverty
and economic distress. The State Planning Office shall
coordinate its activities pursuant to this paragraph with
the Division of Community Services to meet the annual
reporting needs of the division; and

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Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §3305, sub-§1, ¶J is enacted to read:

J. Administer a grant program for towns to upgrade and maintain water systems having fewer than 100 users. The State Planning Office shall develop guidelines for the application procedure and the award of funds.

Sec. 4. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

State Planning Office

All Other \$250,000

Provides funds for grants to towns to upgrade and maintain water systems with fewer than 100 users to be administered by the State Planning Office.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill provides funds for grants to towns to upgrade and maintain water systems with fewer than 100 users to be administered by the State Planning Office.