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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative McHENRY of Madawaska.

## STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Provide for Biennial Review of the Aroostook County Budget.



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

§701-A. Aroostook County biennial estimates

Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §701-A is enacted to read:

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1	Sec. 2. 30-A MRSA §702, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 737,
	Pt. A, §2, and Pt. C, §106, and amended by PL 1989, cc. 6 and 9,
3	is further amended to read:
5	1. Estimates sent to Legislature for approval; amendments.
	The county clerk shall record the estimates made under seeties
7	sections 701 and 701-A in a book. A copy of the estimates shall
	be signed by the ehairman chair of the county commissioners and
9	attested by their clerk. The clerk shall transmit that copy to
	the office of the Secretary of State on or before the first day
11	of each January, <u>except Aroostook County's estimates which shall</u>
	be transmitted before the first day of every other January
13	commencing with the estimates for the 1990-91 biennium, together
	with the county reports under section 952 for the 2 preceding
15	years, to be presented by the Secretary to the Legislature for
	its approval.
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	A. Except as otherwise provided, the Legislature may change
19	or alter specific line categories within the county
	estimates before approving a budget.
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	Presently, the Aroostook County budget is reviewed by the
27	Legislature every year. This bill provides for a budget based on
	a biennium. Therefore, county commissioners shall estimate
29	expenses for 2 years and seek legislative approval only prior to
	the start of the county's new biennium.

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