

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
114TH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1762, L.D. 2427, Bill, "An Act Relating to Periodic Justification of Departments and Agencies of State Government under the Maine Sunset Act"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1.

Further amend the bill by striking out all of section 20.

Further amend the bill in section 46, in subsection 5 by striking out all of paragraphs H and I and inserting in their place the following:

'H. Within available resources, the extent of business growth and change, including business expansions, new businesses and business closings; and

I. Within available resources, the status of investments in business in the State.'

Further amend the bill in section 61 in that part designated "§2908." in the first paragraph by striking out all of the 3rd sentence (page 22, lines 44 to 51 in the L.D.) and inserting in its place the following: 'The commissioner may by rule, policy, or procedure expand the duties and powers of security officers in the capitol area and other state-controlled locations designated by the commissioner beyond the duties and powers enumerated in this section to investigate, prosecute, serve process on and arrest violators of any law of this State.'

Further amend the bill in section 75 by striking out all of the first paragraph (page 26, lines 46 to 50 and page 27, lines 1 and 2 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'Any person who is practicing the profession of landscape architecture, but is not licensed with the board prior to the effective date of this section, shall comply with the requirements of section 220 by January 1, 1990 1992.'

Further amend the bill in section 77 by striking out all of that part designated "§383." and inserting in its place the following:

2 **'§383. Assessors' annual return to State Tax Assessor**

4 The municipal assessors and the assessors of primary  
6 assessing areas shall make and return on blank lists, which shall  
8 must be seasonably furnished by the State Tax Assessor for that  
10 purpose, all such information as to the assessment of property  
12 and collection of taxes as may be needed in the work of the State  
14 Tax Assessor, including annually, the land value, exclusive of  
16 buildings and all other improvements, and the valuation of each  
18 and every class of property assessed in their respective  
20 jurisdiction, with the total valuation and percentage of  
22 taxation, together with a statement to the best of their  
24 knowledge and belief of the ratio, or percentage of current just  
26 value, upon which the assessment is based, and itemized lists of  
property upon which the town has voted to affix a value for  
taxation purposes. The State Tax Assessor may establish  
procedures and promulgate rules, in accordance with the Maine  
Administrative Procedure Act, designed to ensure that the ratio  
certified by the municipal assessors or the assessors of primary  
assessing areas is accurate within 20% of the state valuation  
ratio last determined, unless adequate evidence is presented to  
the State Tax Assessor by the municipality to justify a different  
assessment ratio. These completed lists shall must be returned  
to the State Tax Assessor no later than November 1st, annually,  
or 30 days after commitment, whichever is later.'

28 Further amend the bill by striking out all of section 84 and  
inserting in its place the following:

30 **'Sec. 84. Allocation.** The following funds are allocated from  
32 the Office of Information Services funds to carry out the  
purposes of this Act.

34 **1990-91**

36 **ADMINISTRATION,**  
38 **DEPARTMENT OF**

40 **Office of Information Services**

42	Positions	(-19)
	Personal Services	(\$527,825)
44	All Other	76,128

46 Deallocates funds to implement  
48 reorganization of the Office of Information  
Services.

50 **DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION**  
52 **TOTAL** (\$451,697)'

2 Further amend the bill by renumbering the sections to read  
consecutively.

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6 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

8 This amendment reflects final committee action on the issue  
of working papers.

10 This amendment deletes a funding proposal for the Department  
of Administration, Bureau of State Employee Health.

12 This amendment adjusts a reporting requirement for the  
14 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development.

16 This amendment clarifies that only the Commissioner of  
Public Safety has the authority to specify, by rule, duties and  
18 powers of security officers beyond parking and security duties.

20 This amendment extends the grandfathering provision for the  
licensure of landscape architects from January 1, 1990 to January  
22 1, 1992.

24 This amendment clarifies the acceptable range within which  
the certified ratio reported by municipal assessors must fall to  
26 be considered accurate.

28 This amendment corrects a dollar amount in the allocations  
for the Office of Information Services.  
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