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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
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SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

SENATE AMENDMENT " A " to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 620, L.D. 890, Bill, "An Act to Require the Department of Human Services to Have a Regular Presence in Every County of the State"

Amend the amendment by striking out sections 1 to 3 and inserting in their place the following:

'Sec. 1. Human services; Lincoln and Oxford counties. In addition to other offices of the Department of Human Services providing intake services existing on the effective date of this Act, if office space is provided at no charge to the department for no more than 3 years, the department shall establish and maintain an office in Lincoln County and one in Oxford County for intake services. After the 3-year period, the department is responsible for providing the office space. The departmental staff of these offices must include, but is not limited to, public health nurses, food stamp workers, other income maintenance program workers and vocational rehabilitation workers. The department shall provide the necessary equipment for the offices. The offices may be maintained on an itinerant basis but must provide services on at least a regular biweekly basis.'

Further amend the amendment by striking out all of the fiscal note and inserting in its place the following:

'FISCAL NOTE

The additional costs associated with staff travel to and telephone charges at the itinerant sites located in Lincoln County and Oxford County can be absorbed by the Department of Human Services utilizing existing budgeted resources. There are future costs associated with rental of space by the Department of Human Services at these 2 locations once the 3-year rent-free period has passed.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

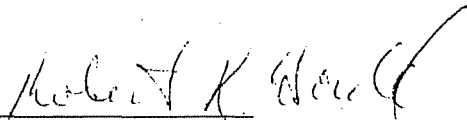
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6 This amendment strikes the text of Committee Amendment "A."
8 Resolve 1975, chapter 54, mandating the maintenance of the
10 itinerant office in Belfast, is left intact and similar
12 provisions are made for offices in Lincoln and Oxford counties.
The Lincoln and Oxford offices are contingent upon office space
being provided at no charge to the Department of Human Services
for not more than 3 years. This amendment also replaces the
fiscal note.

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