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Reference to the Committee on Housing and Economic Development suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative OLIVER of Portland.

Cosponsored by Speaker MARTIN of Eagle Lake and Representative KILKELLY of Wiscasset.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

**An Act to Establish Priority for the Development of Community-based
Nonprofit Housing at the Maine State Housing Authority.**

2 other owner is reasonably available.

4 **§4983. Loans and grants**

6 In making loans and grants the Maine State Housing Authority
8 shall establish a priority for low interest and deferred interest
 loans and grants for the rehabilitation and ongoing maintenance
 of existing community-based nonprofit housing units.

10 **§4984. Advisory committee**

12 1. Establishment. There is created and established under
14 the jurisdiction of the Maine State Housing Authority a
 Community-based Nonprofit Housing Authority Committee established
16 in accordance with Title 5, section 12004-I, subsection 31-A.
 The commissioners shall appoint, after consultation with
18 representative groups, 3 representatives of community-based
 groups that either own, lease or develop low-income housing units
20 and 2 residents of such housing as the committee. This committee
 shall advise the Division of Nonprofit Housing and its staff with
22 respect to the housing needs of low-income communities.

24 2. Chair. The committee shall select a chair from among
 the committee members. The chair has a one-year term.

26 3. Consultation. The Division of Nonprofit Housing and the
28 Maine State Housing Authority shall consult, on a regular basis,
 with the committee established and shall consider its
30 recommendations.

32 4. Meetings; assistance. The committee established under
 subsection 1 may meet as it determines appropriate and the Maine
34 State Housing Authority shall provide the committee with staff
 assistance and information as the committee reasonably requires
36 in the performance of its functions.

38 **§4985. Rulemaking**

40 The Maine State Housing Authority may adopt rules pursuant
 to the Maine Administrative Procedure Act to implement this
42 subchapter.

44 **§4986. Annual report**

46 The Maine State Housing Authority shall annually prepare and
 transmit a report to the Governor and to the Legislature
48 including: a description of the amount and percentage of total
 funds available to the Maine State Housing Authority directly
50 expended on community-based nonprofit housing; a description of
 all other funds and resources expended by the division for
 community-based nonprofit housing activities; and the Maine State

2 Housing Authority's assessment of the results achieved from these
3 expenditures.

4 **§4987. Management support**

6 The management division of the Maine State Housing Authority
7 shall provide management assistance to community-based nonprofit
8 groups to assist these groups in management of housing units.

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12 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

14 This bill establishes the Division of Nonprofit Housing
15 within the Maine State Housing Authority and establishes a
16 Community-based Nonprofit Housing Advisory Committee to provide
17 advice to the Division of Nonprofit Housing and the Maine State
18 Housing Authority. The new division will focus on the
19 development of nonprofit low-income housing and will provide
20 technical and direct assistance to community-based nonprofit
21 developers. These developers are also priority for low-interest
22 grants and loans.