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**STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
115TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A" to S.P. 593, L.D. 1565, Bill, "An Act to Amend the Northern Maine Regional Planning Commission, Inc. and the Northern Regional Planning Commission, Inc. Charter"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

**'An Act to Amend the Northern Maine Regional Planning Commission and the Northern Regional Planning Commission Charter'**

Further amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the enacting clause the following:

**'Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and**

**Whereas, regional planning commissions are quasi-municipal governmental organizations established by law; and**

**Whereas, these commissions are funded largely by federal, state and local tax money; and**

**Whereas, the present commission charter does not fully meet the federal Economic Development Administration and the federal Small Business Administration guidelines for regional planning commissions; and**

**Whereas, the present charter does not fully comply with United States Internal Revenue Service guidelines for a nonprofit organization; and**

**Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts**

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2 create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of  
Maine and require the following legislation as immediately  
4 necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and  
safety; now, therefore,'

6 Further amend the bill in section 4 in subsection 6 in  
paragraph E in the first 3 lines (page 6, lines 28 to 30 in L.D.)  
8 by striking out the following: "including the terms of the  
chair, vice-chair, secretary and treasurer."

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12 Further amend the bill in section 4 by striking out all of  
subsection 7 (page 7, lines 31 to 40 in L.D.) as follows:

14 ~~'7.---Commission finances.---The commission finances shall be  
governed as follows.~~

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18 ~~A.---The fiscal year of the commission shall begin January  
1st and end December 31st.~~

20 ~~B.---Representatives shall not be remunerated for their  
services, but may be reimbursed upon approval of the  
22 commission for their expenses incurred in behalf of the  
commission.'~~

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26 Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the  
statement of fact the following:

28 'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the  
preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.'

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32 STATEMENT OF FACT

34 This amendment adds an emergency preamble and an emergency  
clause to the bill. It also removes new text from a section of  
36 the original Charter for the Northern Regional Planning  
Commission and the Northern Maine Regional Planning Commission  
38 and deletes a subsection of the charter that is redundant.

Reported by Senator Berube for the Committee on State and  
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