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In Senate, April 24, 1991

Reference to the Committee on Audit and Program Review suggested and ordered printed.

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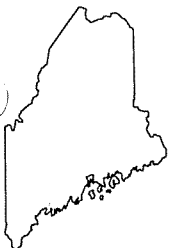
JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator McCORMICK of Kennebec
Cosponsored by Senator CONLEY of Cumberland and Representative CATHCART of
Orono.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**An Act to Require Gender Impact Analysis as Part of All Audit and
Program Reviews.**



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

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3 Sec. 1. 3 MRSA §922, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 483, Pt. A,
4 §4, is amended to read:

6 **§922. Scope**

8 This Act provides for a system of periodic justification of
9 agencies and independent agencies of State Government in order to
10 evaluate their efficacy and performance. Only those agencies,
11 independent agencies or parts thereof which receive support from
12 the General Fund or that are established, created or incorporated
13 by reference in the Maine Revised Statutes are subject to the
14 provisions of this chapter. The financial and programmatic review
15 shall must include, but not be limited to, a review of agency
16 management and organization, program delivery, statutory mandate,
17 gender impact analysis and fiscal accountability.

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19 Sec. 2. 3 MRSA §923, sub-§2-A is enacted to read:

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21 2-A. Gender impact. "Gender impact" means a statistical
22 and qualitative comparative analysis of the impact of the policy
23 or program on males and females.

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25 Sec. 3. 3 MRSA §924, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 483,
26 Pt. A, §4, is amended to read:

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28 2. **Contents of justification reports.** Each report shall
29 must include the following information, in a concise but complete
30 manner:

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32 A. Enabling or authorizing law or other relevant mandate;

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34 B. A description of the program, including its priorities,
35 objectives, effectiveness, operation, communication lines,
36 population served, staffing and future plans;

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38 C. A financial summary;

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40 D. A list of related programs having similar or
41 complementary objectives; and

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43 D-1. A gender impact analysis of all the following:

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45 (1) Each program's policies;

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47 (2) Each program and its budget; and

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49 (3) Any cuts made to the budget of each program; and

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51 E. Any other information specifically requested.

STATEMENT OF FACT

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This bill requires all state agencies to include a gender impact analysis in their regular justification reports, which are filed as part of the "sunset" review conducted by the Joint Standing Committee on Audit and Program Review.