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SENATE AMENDMENT "B" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 642,
L.D. 1690

2 Advisory Committee on Medical Education, the Special Select
Commission on Access to Health Care, the Maine Medical
4 Association, the Maine Osteopathic Association, the Maine
Ambulatory Care Coalition, the Department of Human Services and
6 other interested entities.' '

8 Further amend the amendment on page 5 by striking out all of
the first 2 lines (page 5, lines 2 and 3 in amendment).

10 Further amend the amendment by striking out all of Part B.

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

14 'Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the
16 statement of fact the following:

18 **FISCAL NOTE**

20 This bill establishes the Higher Education Loan Program
within the Finance Authority of Maine. Funds are not provided to
22 capitalize this program.

24 This bill also reduces the residency requirements in the
Blaine House Scholarship Program, which will allow an increased
26 number of eligible applicants for that program. General Fund
appropriations to the Finance Authority of Maine will be required
28 in order to serve both those currently served as well as those
newly eligible for scholarships.

30 Any costs associated with administering the new loan program
32 and for expanded responsibilities within the Blaine House
Scholarship Program will be absorbed within existing resources of
34 the Finance Authority of Maine.

36 This bill also requires the Finance Authority of Maine to
report to the legislature on the existing programs for financial
38 assistance for postgraduate medical education. The costs
associated with this report will be absorbed within existing
40 budgeted resources of the Finance Authority of Maine.' '

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44 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

46 This amendment clarifies that any future bond funds and
48 principal repayments may only be used for student loans and may
not be used to fund administrative costs of the Finance Authority

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2 of Maine. The amendment removes the provision authorizing
issuance of bonds to finance the Higher Education Loan Program.

4 The amendment also requires the Finance Authority of Maine to
6 report to the Joint Standing Committee on Education by January
15, 1992 with recommendations for changes to the postgraduate
8 medical education programs.

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