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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1166, L.D. 1707, Bill, "An Act to Amend the Maine Uniform Accounting and Auditing Practices Act for Community Agencies"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §1653, sub-§6-A is enacted to read:

6-A. OMB circular. "OMB circular" means a publication prepared by the federal Office of Management and Budget.

Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §§1659 to 1660-A are enacted to read:

§1659. Exceptions to criteria

To ensure uniformity, the commissioner may not allow exceptions to the applicable OMB circulars among departments except when a conflict exists with state or federal law.

§1660. Independent public accountant audits

Independent public accountant compliance audits satisfy the requirement that a single audit be performed under section 1654, subsection 3.

§1660-A. Report

Beginning on July 1, 1992 the commissioner shall report annually to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over state and local government matters on the implementation of this chapter. The report must include the identification of any costs, savings and problems associated with the implementation of section 1660.

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FISCAL NOTE

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The Department of Finance will be able to comply with the annual reporting requirement to the Legislature utilizing existing staff and resources.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This amendment specifies that exceptions to the OMB circulars may not be allowed by the Commissioner of Finance except when a conflict exists between the circulars and state or federal law. The amendment requires that the commissioner make an annual report on the effects of this policy to the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government. The amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.

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