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**STATE OF MAINE
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HOUSE AMENDMENT "**B**" to S.P. 911, L.D. 2331, Bill, "An Act to Encourage Private Sector Investment in Tourism"

Amend the bill in section 1 by striking out all of subsection 3 and inserting in its place the following:

'3. Contract. The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development may execute a single contract to provide for operation of the state-funded information centers and inquiry fulfillment services.

The commissioner shall report to the chairs of the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over housing and economic development matters within 14 days as to the execution of the contract and on a semiannual basis report to the committee as to the performance of the contract.'

Further amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

'Sec. 2. Legislative intent. It is the intent of the Legislature to authorize a single contract to ensure affordability and accessibility to all tourism services offered by the State for all tourism establishments and regions but particularly for small tourism businesses, struggling tourism organizations and emerging tourism regions that may not have the resources without assistance to promote themselves competitively.

FISCAL NOTE

Allowing the Department of Economic and Community Development to award a single contract for certain tourism services could result in minimal savings in advertising, printing

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2 and staff time. The department can absorb the costs associated
with semiannual reports to the Legislature as to the performance
of this contract.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

8 This amendment retains the regular competitive bidding
process in the awarding of tourism contracts and authorizes the
10 Department of Economic and Community Development to enter into a
single contract for all tourism information services.

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