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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1050, L.D. 1402, Bill, "An Act to Establish the Penobscot County Budget Advisory Committee"

Amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§900-H." in the first paragraph in the 3rd line (page 1, line 13 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "must be" and inserting in its place the following: 'is'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§900-I." by striking out all of the first paragraph and inserting in its place the following:

'The county commissioners may establish a 15-member Penobscot County Budget Advisory Committee, referred to in this article as the "budget advisory committee." If the county commissioners establish a budget advisory committee, the following provisions and the provisions of section 900-J apply.'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§900-I." in subsection 1 in the first line (page 1, line 22 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "5" and inserting in its place the following: 'one'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§900-I." in subsection 1 in the 2nd line (page 1, line 23 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "officials" and inserting in its place the following: 'officer'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§900-I." by striking out all of subsection 2 and inserting in its place the following:

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2 '2. Municipal official elections. Before September 30th of  
3 every year, the county commissioners shall notify all municipal  
4 officials to caucus by county commissioner district at a  
5 specified date, time and place for the purpose of electing 4  
6 municipal officers from each district as members of the county  
7 budget advisory committee. Written notice must be provided to  
8 the municipal officials and published in a newspaper in general  
9 circulation within the county at least 3, but not more than 10  
10 days before the caucus date. Each county commissioner shall  
11 serve as nonvoting moderator for that district caucus.  
12 Nominations must be received from the floor. The 4 nominees  
13 receiving the most votes are the budget advisory committee  
14 members. The names of those elected by the caucus must be  
15 recorded and forwarded to the county commissioners.'

16 Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated  
17 "§900-I." in subsection 3 in the last line (page 1, line 45 in  
18 L.D.) by inserting after the following: "municipality" the  
19 following: "appointed by the committee member"

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21 Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated  
22 "§900-I." by striking out all of subsection 4.

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24 Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated  
25 "§900-J." in subsection 2 in the 8th line (page 2, line 16 in  
26 L.D.) by striking out the following: "in a timely fashion, not"  
27 and inserting in its place the following: "no"

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29 Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated  
30 "§900-J." in subsection 2 in the 10th line (page 2, line 18 in  
31 L.D.) by striking out the following: "adopted" and inserting in  
32 its place the following: "budget advisory committee"

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34 Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated  
35 "§900-J." by striking out all of subsection 3 and inserting in  
36 its place the following:

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38 '3. Filing. A copy of the final budget must be filed on  
39 forms approved by the Department of Audit. The State Auditor  
40 shall retain the budget for 3 years.'

#### 41 42 43 44 STATEMENT OF FACT

45 This amendment authorizes the Penobscot County Commissioners  
46 to establish a 15-member budget advisory committee. All the  
47 members would be municipal officers, one appointed from each  
48 county commissioner district by the county commissioner and 4  
49 elected from each commissioner district at a district caucus  
50 which is duly noticed. The budget advisory committee budget must  
be accepted or modified by the county commissioners by December

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2 15th. Changes may be overridden by the budget advisory committee  
on a 4/5 vote. The budgetary decision made at the county level  
4 is final; approval by the Legislature or the legislative county  
delegation is not required.

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