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S.P. 734

In Senate, March 2, 1994

**An Act to Increase the Efficiency of the Appointment Process for
Occupational or Professional Regulatory Boards.**

Reported by Senator CLEVELAND of Androscoggin for the Joint Standing Committee on
Audit and Program Review pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, chapter 33.

Reference to the Committee on Audit and Program Review suggested and ordered printed
pursuant to Joint Rule 20.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

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

4 Sec. 1. 10 MRSA §8007 is enacted to read:

6 **§8007. Reappointment**

8 A member of an occupational or professional regulatory board
10 listed in section 8001 or 8001-A who is eligible for
12 reappointment is automatically reappointed upon the expiration of
14 that member's term unless the Governor objects to the
16 reappointment. In the event of objection, the Governor must make
18 an appointment to fill the position of the member whose term has
20 expired within 8 months of the term's expiration. If the
22 appointment is not made within this period, the board with the
24 vacant position shall notify the Legislative Council, the joint
26 standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over
28 business legislation matters and the joint standing committee of
30 the Legislature having jurisdiction over audit and program review
32 that the vacancy has not been filled.

34 The Governor must make an appointment within 8 months of the
36 expiration of a term of a member of an occupational or
38 professional regulatory board listed in section 8001 or 8001-A
40 who is not eligible for reappointment. If the appointment is not
42 made within this period, the board with the vacant position shall
44 notify the Legislative Council, the joint standing committee of
46 the Legislature having jurisdiction over business legislation
48 matters and the joint standing committee of the Legislature
50 having jurisdiction over audit and program review that the
52 vacancy has not been filled.

34 **FISCAL NOTE**

36 Automatic reappointment of certain board members should
38 result in some minor savings in the Executive Department.

40 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

42 This bill authorizes automatic reappointment for certain
44 members of occupational or professional regulatory boards, unless
46 the Governor objects to the reappointment. The bill is intended
48 to save time, money and resources in the appointment process and
50 achieve timely reappointments in order to ensure that these
52 boards function according to legislative intent. If the
appointment is not made within 8 months of the term's expiration
following objection to automatic reappointment or for a member
not eligible for reappointment, the board with the vacancy must
make certain notifications.