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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 483, L.D. 664, Bill, "An Act Regarding the Functioning of the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation and Several Professional Regulatory Boards"

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Amend the amendment in Part C in section 2 in that part designated "§1660-D." in subsection 16 by inserting at the end a new paragraph to read:

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'Nonparticipating departments may not impose audit requirements or agreement compliance and cost criteria to an agreement with a community agency that do not conform to the requirements of this subsection and its subsequent rules.'

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Further amend the amendment in Part C by inserting at the end the following:

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'Sec. C-12. Consolidation of audit services

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Effective July 1, 1995, the Commissioner of Human Services, the Commissioner of Mental Health and Mental Retardation and the Advisory Committee to the Commissioner shall undertake a study of the consolidation of the several audit divisions with responsibilities for audits and cost determinations of agreements and community agencies covered by the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 148-C. The study must identify all audit groups, identify their functions and recommend how best to consolidate those functions to achieve operational efficiency to the audit process. The results of the study must be reported to the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government and to the Governor by December 31, 1995.'

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FISCAL NOTE

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The additional costs to report on the consolidation of audit services can be absorbed by the Department of Human Services, the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation and the Office of Substance Abuse utilizing existing budgeted resources.

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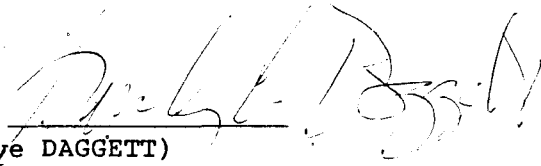
STATEMENT OF FACT

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This amendment adds language that prohibits nonparticipating departments from imposing audit requirements or agreement compliance and cost criteria to an agreement with a community agency that do not conform to the requirements of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1660-D, subsection 16. The amendment also adds a new section that requires the Commissioner of Human Services and the Commissioner of Mental Health and Mental Retardation and the Advisory Committee to the Commissioner to conduct a study of the consolidation of audit divisions with responsibilities for audits and cost determinations of agreements and community agencies. The report is due December 31, 1995.

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