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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
117TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

SENATE AMENDMENT "B " to H.P. 1150, L.D. 1589, Bill, "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Productivity Realization Task Force"

Amend the bill by inserting at the end before the emergency clause the following:

PART M

M-1. Reorganization plan submitted. In an effort to continue to improve efficiency in the operation of State Government, the Department of Administrative and Financial Services is directed to develop a plan to abolish the State Planning Office and transfer essential state programs to existing departments. No later than February 1, 1996, the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services in consultation with the Director of the State Planning Office, the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, the Commissioner of Marine Resources and the Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall submit to the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government the proposed legislation necessary to carry out the intent of this Part. The Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government is authorized to report out a bill.

M-2. Content of plan. In the development of a plan for the elimination of the State Planning Office the following items must be included:

- A. Elimination of the management and administration division. Any necessary administrative functions must be performed by the administrative divisions within the agencies into which the programs are being transferred;

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2 B. The transfer of the Maine Commission for Community
4 Service to the Department of Economic and Community
6 Development, within a newly created Office of Municipal
8 Technical Assistance;

10 C. The transfer of the coastal conservation and development
12 program to the Department of Marine Resources;

14 D. The transfer of that portion of the division that
16 coordinates short-term and long-term economic development
18 policy and analysis to the Department of Administrative and
20 Financial Services, State Budget Office;

22 E. Elimination of that portion of the division that relates
24 to state energy policy and the transfer of any required
26 federal responsibilities to the Department of Economic and
Community Development, within a newly created Office of
Municipal Technical Assistance;

28 F. Elimination of that portion of the Community Planning
30 Division that is responsible for administering Maine's
32 growth management program and that provides planning
34 assistance to municipal governments, including the repeal of
36 any statutory requirements of municipalities regarding
growth management;

38 G. The transfer of code enforcement training and
40 certification to the Department of Economic and Community
42 Development, within a newly created Office of Municipal
44 Technical Assistance;

46 H. The transfer of the floodplain management program to the
Department of Economic and Community Development, within a
newly created Office of Municipal Technical Assistance; and

I. The transfer of the waste management program to the
Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Oil and
Hazardous Materials and Solid Waste Control.'

FISCAL NOTE


44 The additional costs to develop a plan and submit the
46 legislation to abolish the State Planning Office can be absorbed
by the several departments involved utilizing existing budgeted
resources.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment requires the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to develop a plan to eliminate the State Planning Office and transfer essential programs to existing departments and submit the plan to the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government no later than February 1, 1996.

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