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TRANSPORTATION

Reported by: Senator O'Gara for the Committee on Transportation

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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
118TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 220, L.D. 679, Bill, "An Act to Authorize the Department of Transportation to Use Design-build Contracting for Development of a New Bath-Woolwich Bridge"

Amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

FISCAL NOTE

This bill authorizes a new contracting procedure specifically for the Bath-Woolwich bridge with the intent of expediting the construction of that project. This will shift the timing of the implementation of this project and shift expenditures on this particular project into the 1998-1999 biennium. Under the conventional design and build process, these expenditures would not have occurred until a subsequent biennium. This shift also may reduce the future expenditures for maintenance and repair of the existing Carleton Bridge. The amount of the expenditures that will be shifted and the future savings on maintenance and repair can not be estimated at this time.

This expedited project may also help in securing the draw down of \$38,000,000 in federal funds. Ultimately, the implementation of this project and the timing of the expenditures will be contingent on the availability of Highway Fund or other resources made available to match these federal funds. The Governor's proposed 1998-1999 "current services" budget and bond package for the First Regular Session of the 118th Legislature anticipates funding this project.

The Department of Transportation will realize some

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2 administrative savings as a result of this change in process as
3 some of the costs that would have been borne by the department
4 are shifted and included as part of the costs of the bids on the
5 project. The department's administrative savings would make
6 departmental resources available for design work on other
7 projects.'

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SUMMARY

10 This amendment adds a fiscal note to the bill.