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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1114, L.D. 1557, Bill, "An Act to Create Efficient and Effective Administration of the University of Maine System"

Amend the amendment by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

'Amend the bill in section 3 in that part designated "Section 4." in the first paragraph in the last line (page 1, line 26 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "16 17" and inserting in its place the following: '16'

Further amend the bill in section 3 in that part designated "Section 4." by striking out all of subsection 3-A and inserting in its place the following:

'3-A. Alumni members. The Governor shall make every effort to appoint to the Board of Regents, subject to review by the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters and confirmation by the Senate, 7 alumni members, one from each of the universities in the system.'

Further amend the bill in section 5 in that part designated "Section 4-B." in subsection 1 by striking out all of paragraph D and inserting in its place the following:

'D. Hire and evaluate the chancellor;'

Further amend the bill in section 5 in that part designated "Section 4-B." in subsection 2 in paragraph F in the last line (page 4, line 39 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "and"

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2 Further amend the bill in section 5 in that part designated
"Section 4-B." in subsection 2 by striking out all of paragraph G
4 and inserting in its place the following:

6 'G. Coordinate University of Maine System academic
offerings to avoid duplication with private and public
8 institutions in this State; and

10 H. Develop a method to transfer academic credits to all
universities within the University of Maine System.'

12 Further amend the bill in section 5 in that part designated
14 "Section 4-B." in subsection 2 by striking out all of the blocked
paragraph (page 4, lines 43 to 45 in L.D.)

16 Further amend the bill in section 5 in that part designated
18 "Section 4-B." in subsection 5 in paragraph B in subparagraph (2)
in the first line (page 5, line 34 in L.D.) by inserting after
20 the following: "university" the following: 'and hold oversight
responsibility over the use of the funds'

22 Further amend the bill in section 5 in that part designated
24 "Section 4-B." in subsection 5 in paragraph B in subparagraph (3)
in the last line (page 5, line 37 in L.D.) by striking out the
26 following: "and"

28 Further amend the bill in section 5 in that part designated
"Section 4-B." in subsection 5 in paragraph B in subparagraph (4)
30 in the last line (page 5, line 41 in L.D.) by striking out the
following: ";" and inserting in its place the following: '; and'

32 Further amend the bill in section 5 in that part designated
34 "Section 4-B." in subsection 5 in paragraph B by inserting after
subparagraph (4) the following:

36 '(5) Hire and evaluate the university president.

38 C. Members of the boards of trustees may receive
40 reimbursement for travel and other necessary expenses for
attendance at meetings of the board. Reimbursement expense
42 for board members must be absorbed within the existing
budgeted revenues of the University of Maine System.'

44 Further amend the bill in section 16 in subsection 1 in
46 paragraph B in the last line (page 7, line 27 in L.D.) by
striking out the following: "and"

48 Further amend the bill in section 16 in subsection 1 in
50 paragraph C in the last line (page 7, line 32 in L.D.) by

striking out the following: "." and inserting in its place the
following: '; and'

Further amend the bill in section 16 in subsection 1 by
inserting after paragraph C the following:

'D. Study methods employed in other jurisdictions and make
recommendations to create a system that is substantially
more market-driven.'

Further amend the bill by striking out all of subsection 17.'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the
summary the following:

FISCAL NOTE

The bill restructures the current Board of Trustees of the
University of Maine System to be a Board of Regents. It also
creates separate 7-member boards of trustees for each of the 7
campuses. The additional costs associated with the new board
members can be absorbed by the system within existing budgeted
resources.

The bill also imposes new financial responsibilities on the
seven campuses of the University of Maine System. The effect of
these new requirements on the operating costs of the university
campuses and the subsequent effect on the system's requests for
General Fund appropriations can not be determined at this time.'

SUMMARY

This amendment, which replaces the committee amendment,
differs from the committee amendment in the following ways.

1. It reinstates the Board of Regents established in the
bill.

2. It specifies that the Board of Regents of the University
of Maine System shall hire and evaluate the chancellor.

3. It eliminates a specified duty of the chancellor to
provide a centralized management oversight of services.


4. It restores the separate 7-member boards of trustees of
the 7 universities that were proposed in the original bill and
directs the individual boards to hire and evaluate the university
president.

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2 This amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.

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