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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 564, L.D. 1721, Bill, "An  
Act Regarding Appointment to the Maine Public Broadcasting Board  
of Trustees"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting  
clause and before the summary and inserting in its place the  
following:

'Sec. 1. PL 1991, c. 848, §3, 2nd ¶ is amended to read:

The transfer may occur only if the transferee corporation  
has a board of trustees that includes the chancellor of the  
University of Maine System; 3 members representing the Board of  
Trustees of the University of Maine System; the President of  
Bates College; the President of Bowdoin College; the President of  
Colby College; and not fewer than 8 nor more than 12 public  
trustees elected by the board in the manner prescribed in the  
corporation's bylaws. The president of the transferee  
corporation is a nonvoting member of the board. By January 1,  
1999, 2 additional public trustees must be appointed by the  
Governor, subject to review by the joint standing committee of  
the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters and to  
confirmation by the Senate. By January 1, 1999, the board shall  
amend the Maine Public Broadcasting Corporation bylaws to reflect  
the method of appointment of public trustees described in this  
paragraph.'

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

2 **FISCAL NOTE**

4 The additional costs associated with appointing public  
6 trustees to the Board of Trustees of the Maine Public  
8 Broadcasting Corporation can be absorbed by the Executive  
Department utilizing existing budgeted resources.

10 This bill will require the Legislature to confirm the  
12 appointment of 2 public trustees of the corporation. The  
Legislature can absorb any costs that result from this additional  
confirmation within existing budgeted resources.'

14 **SUMMARY**

16 The amendment replaces the bill and alters the composition  
18 of the Board of Trustees of the Maine Public Broadcasting  
Corporation in the following manner.

20 1. It requires that, by January 1, 1999 and thereafter, the  
22 Governor appoint 2 additional public trustees, subject to review  
24 by the joint standing committee of the Legislature having  
jurisdiction over education matters and to confirmation by the  
Senate.

26 2. It also requires the board to amend the Maine Public  
28 Broadcasting Corporation bylaws by January 1, 1999 to reflect the  
different methods of appointing public trustees to the board.