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S.P. 238

In Senate, January 26, 1999

**An Act to Include Counties in the Definition of Local Government in the
Archives and Records Management Law.**

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock.
Cosponsored by Representative SAXL of Bangor and
Senator FERGUSON of Oxford.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

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Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §92-A, sub-§2-A, as enacted by PL 1995, c. 148,
4 §3, is amended to read:

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2-A. Local government. "Local government" means a
municipality, county, school district or other special-purpose
8 district or multi-purpose district.

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SUMMARY

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When the Municipal Records Board and the County Records
14 Board were both abolished and their functions assumed by the
existing Archives Advisory Board, the word "county" was
16 inadvertently omitted from the definition of "local government."
Practice and administrative rules have assumed that counties
18 continued to be covered under the law's requirements. This bill
brings the law into compliance with that assumption.