

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 119th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-1999

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No. 994

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S.P. 340

In Senate, February 4, 1999

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### An Act Regarding State Construction Projects.

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'Joy J. O'Brien'.

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator DOUGLASS of Androscoggin.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §304-A is enacted to read:**

6 **§304-A. State agency cooperation**

8 **1. Governor to hold meetings. The Capitol Planning**  
10 **Commission and the Governor shall hold 2 meetings annually with**  
12 **the heads of all state agencies to review current and upcoming**  
14 **construction projects for governmental agencies of the State.**  
16 **The objectives of the meetings are:**

18 **A. To consider coordination and cooperative development of**  
20 **projects in order to discourage duplication of effort and to**  
22 **promote cost savings;**

24 **B. To provide for open communication among all parties**  
26 **involved in the construction project; and**

28 **C. To establish a preference for locating state offices in**  
30 **downtown areas.**

32 **SUMMARY**

This bill requires the Capitol Planning Commission and the Governor to hold 2 meetings annually with all state agency heads and to oversee current and upcoming construction projects. Objectives for these meetings will be to consider coordination and cooperative development, to provide open communication among all parties involved in the projects and to establish a preference for locating state offices in downtown areas.