

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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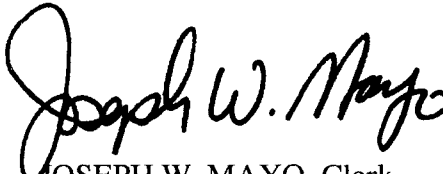
H.P. 1240

House of Representatives, March 9, 1999

**An Act to Require State Departments and Agencies to Comply with  
Certain Laws Applied to the Public.**

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

  
JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative GOODWIN of Pembroke.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §54** is enacted to read:

6 **§54. State compliance with laws and regulations applied  
to general public**

8 All state departments, agencies and boards are required to  
10 comply with any law, rule or regulation for which compliance by  
12 the public or private industry is demanded. Compliance pertains  
to all state laws, rules and regulations and all municipal  
ordinances and regulations.

14 **Sec. 2. Liberal interpretation.** The provisions of this Act are  
to be liberally construed.

16 **Sec. 3. Effective date.** This Act takes effect January 1, 2000.

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20 **SUMMARY**

22 This bill requires State Government to comply with all state  
24 and local laws for which compliance by the public and private  
industry is required.