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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
119TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

SENATE AMENDMENT " A " to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 665, L.D. 1887, Bill, "An Act to Provide Access to Information Services in All Communities of the State"

Amend the amendment by striking all of the 2nd indented paragraph before the fiscal note (page 2, line 16 in amendment) and inserting in its place the following:

'Further amend the bill by striking out all of section 3 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 3. Allocation. The following funds are allocated from Other Special Revenue funds to carry out the purposes of this Act.

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**SECRETARY OF STATE,
DEPARTMENT OF THE**

**Maine Governmental Information
Network Fund**

All Other	\$500	\$500
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Provides initial allocations to authorize expenditures in the event that funds are deposited in the Maine Governmental Information Network Fund.' '

Further amend the amendment by striking out all of the fiscal note and inserting in its place the following:

SENATE AMENDMENT

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APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS

Other Funds \$500 \$500

This bill establishes the Maine Governmental Information Network Board in the Department of the Secretary of State to enhance electronic data exchange among state and local governments. The board has authority to provide grants to municipalities and counties, employ consultants and provide technical support to municipalities and counties.

This bill establishes the Maine Governmental Information Network Fund, an Other Special Revenue account within the Department of the Secretary of State to receive any funds to carry out the purposes of the Maine Governmental Information Network Board. Allocations of \$500 annually in fiscal years 1999-00 and 2000-01 are included as base allocations to authorize expenditures in the event that funds are deposited in the account. The board is authorized to establish fee schedules and collect fees for technical services or other information systems support provided. The amount of additional dedicated revenue to the Maine Governmental Information Network Fund that may be generated by these fees and other sources can not be determined at this time.

Board members are eligible for reimbursement of expenses. The Department of the Secretary of State can absorb these costs, as well as the costs related to providing staffing and administrative support to the board.

The additional costs associated with serving on the board can be absorbed by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services utilizing existing budgeted resources.'

SUMMARY

This amendment adds an allocation section and corrects the fiscal note on Committee Amendment "A".

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