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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
119TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1447, L.D. 2068, Bill, "An Act to Create a State House Citizen Participation and Lobby Center"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act to Create a State House Citizen Participation Center'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "~~§908.~~" in the first line (page 1, line 5 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "and lobby"

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "~~§908.~~" in subsection 1 in the 2nd line (page 1, line 8 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "and lobby"

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "~~§908.~~" in subsection 2 in the first line (page 1, line 14 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "and lobby"

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "~~§908.~~" in subsection 3 in the first line (page 1, line 19 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "and lobby"

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "~~§908.~~" in subsection 3 in paragraph B in the first line (page 1, line 24 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "Signage" and inserting in its place the following: 'Signs'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "~~§908.~~" in subsection 3 in paragraph E in the first line (page 1, line 32 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "lobby" and inserting in its place the following: 'participation'

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Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "**S908.**" by striking out all of subsection 4 (page 1, lines 34 to 37 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'4. Citizen participation station. A citizen participation station must be located within the citizen participation center to assist visitors to participate in the democratic process at the state level as citizen participants.'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "**S908.**" in subsection 5 in the first line (page 1, line 39 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "and lobby"

Further amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

'Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

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Positions - FTE Count	(0.615)
Personal Services	\$23,223

Provides funds for a Legislative Information Associate position to staff the citizen participation center during legislative sessions.'

Further amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

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

'FISCAL NOTE

2000-01

APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS

2 General Fund \$23,223

4 This bill requires the establishment of a citizen
6 participation center in the State House. This bill includes an
8 additional General Fund appropriation of \$23,223 in fiscal year
10 2000-01 for the Legislature for a Legislative Information
12 Associate position to staff the citizen participation center
14 during legislative sessions. The estimated future costs in
fiscal years 2001-02 and 2002-03 for this position will be
approximately \$21,928 and \$25,246, respectively. The additional
costs associated with staffing the center during the interim
between legislative sessions can be absorbed by the Legislature
utilizing existing budgeted resources.

16 The Legislature will also require additional General Fund
18 appropriations for furniture, supplies and equipment for the
20 center and may require funds for the potential costs for
renovations. These amounts can not be determined at this time.'

22 **SUMMARY**

24 This amendment is the minority report and removes all
26 references to "lobby" from the original bill, including its
28 title. In some instances, the amendment substitutes the word
"participation" for the word "lobby." The amendment also makes a
technical correction. The amendment also adds an appropriation
and a fiscal note to the bill.