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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
119TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 763, L.D. 2155, "Resolve, to Establish the Blue Ribbon Commission to Establish a Comprehensive Internet Policy"

Amend the amendment by striking out all of section 2 and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 2. Commission membership. Resolved: That the commission consists of 12 voting members and 6 nonvoting members.

1. The commission consists of 12 voting members as follows:

A. Three members of the Senate, at least one of whom is a member of the Joint Standing Committee on Business and Economic Development, appointed by the President of the Senate;

B. Two members of the House of Representatives, at least one of whom is a member of the Joint Standing Committee on Business and Economic Development, appointed by the Speaker of the House;

C. One representative of the large Internet service providers industry, appointed by the President of the Senate;

D. One representative of the small Internet service providers industry, appointed by the Speaker of the House;

E. One representative of the Maine Software Developers Association, appointed by the Speaker of the House;

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- 2 F. One representative of the telecommunications industry,
appointed by the President of the Senate;
- 4 G. One representative of the cable television industry,
appointed by the Speaker of the House;
- 6 H. One representative of the Maine Bar Association,
appointed by the President of the Senate; and
- 8 I. One representative of the Maine Civil Liberties Union,
appointed by the Speaker of the House.
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- 12 2. The commission consists of 6 nonvoting members as
14 follows:
 - 16 A. One representative of the University of Maine System,
appointed by the Chancellor of the University of Maine
18 System;
 - 20 B. The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development
or the commissioner's designee;
 - 22 C. The Secretary of State or the secretary's designee;
 - 24 D. The State Librarian or the State Librarian's designee;
 - 26 E. One representative of the Public Advocate's Office,
appointed by the Governor; and
 - 28 F. One representative of the Public Utilities Commission,
appointed by the Governor.'
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34 Further amend the amendment by inserting after section 2 the
following:

36 'Further amend the resolve in section 3 in the last 2 lines
(page 2, lines 9 and 10 in L.D.) by striking out the following:
38 "The commission shall select a chair from among its members" and
inserting in its place the following: 'The first named Senate
40 member is the Senate chair and the first named House member is
the House chair'
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44 Further amend the amendment by inserting after section 4 the
following:

46 'Further amend the resolve by striking out all of section 6
(page 2, lines 33 to 35 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the
48 following:

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2 **'Sec. 6. Compensation. Resolved:** That legislative members are
entitled to receive the legislative per diem and reimbursement of
4 necessary expenses for their attendance at authorized meetings of
the commission; and be it further'

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Further amend the resolve in section 7 in the first and 2nd
8 lines (page 2, lines 37 and 38 in L.D.) by striking out the
following: "January 15, 2000" and inserting in its place the
10 following: 'December 1, 1999'

12 Further amend the resolve in section 7 in the first
paragraph in the 3rd line from the end (page 2, line 43 in L.D.)
14 by striking out the following: "any legislation" and inserting
in its place the following: 'a bill' '

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Further amend the amendment by striking out all of section 8
18 and inserting in its place the following:

20 **'Sec. 8. Appropriation. Resolved:** That the following funds are
appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of
22 this resolve.

24 **1999-00**

26 **LEGISLATURE**

28 **Blue Ribbon Commission to Establish a**
30 **Comprehensive Internet Policy**

32 Personal Services \$1,375
All Other 1,750

34 Provides funds for the per
36 diem and expenses of
legislative members of the
38 Blue Ribbon Commission to
Establish a Comprehensive
40 Internet Policy and to print
the required report.

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44 **TOTAL** \$3,125'

46 Further amend the amendment by inserting after section 8 the
following:

48 'Further amend the resolve by relettering or renumbering any
nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read
50 consecutively.'

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FISCAL NOTE

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This amendment reduces the General Fund costs of the resolve
by \$525 in fiscal year 1999-00.

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As amended, this resolve includes an additional General Fund
appropriation of \$3,125 in fiscal year 1999-00 for the
Legislature for the payment of the per diem and expenses of
legislative members of the Blue Ribbon Commission to Establish a
Comprehensive Internet Policy and to print the required report.

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SUMMARY

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The amendment changes the membership of the commission and
changes the method for appointment of chairs of the commission.
The amendment also provides the legislative per diem and
reimbursement of expenses to members of the commission who are
Legislators. The amendment also replaces the appropriation
section. The amendment also changes the reporting date of the
commission and provides that the Joint Standing Committee on
Business and Economic Development may report out a bill.

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