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**STATE OF MAINE**  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
**120TH LEGISLATURE**  
**FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 759, L.D. 978, "Resolve, to  
Create the Commission to Study the Relationship Between Alcohol  
Sales and Substance Abuse in the State of Maine"

24 Amend the resolve by striking out the title and substituting  
the following:

26 **'Resolve, to Create a Study of the Relationship Between Alcohol**  
**Sales and Substance Abuse in the State to be Performed by the**  
28 **Substance Abuse Services Commission'**

30 Further amend the resolve by striking out everything after  
the title and before the summary and inserting in its place the  
32 following:

34 **'Sec. 1. Study. Resolved:** That the Substance Abuse Services  
Commission, as established by the Maine Revised Statutes, Title  
36 5, section 12004-G, subsection 13-C and referred to in this  
resolve as the "commission," shall conduct a study for the  
38 following purposes:

40 1. To study the relationship between liquor sales and  
substance abuse in this State;

42 2. To study the impact of substance abuse on individuals  
44 and their families;

46 3. To study the financial impact of substance abuse on  
state and community resources, including the health care and  
48 corrections systems;

50 4. To perform an evaluation of the availability of  
treatment and other services currently being provided; and  
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**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

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5. To recommend changes to lessen the impact of substance abuse in this State; and be it further

**Sec. 2. Report. Resolved:** That the commission shall submit its report together with any necessary implementing legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 120th Legislature by January 15, 2002. If the commission requires a limited extension of time to conclude its work, it may apply to the Legislative Council, which may grant the extension.'

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

**FISCAL NOTE**

The Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services will incur some minor additional costs to print the report required of the Substance Abuse Services Commission. These costs can be absorbed within the department's existing budgeted resources.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment directs the Substance Abuse Services Commission to study the relationship between alcohol sales and substance abuse. The amendment also adds a fiscal note to the resolve.