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120th MAINE LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION-2001

Legislative Document

No. 1444

H.P. 1075

House of Representatives, March 5, 2001

An Act to Enhance Local Accountability.

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

Millicent M. MacFarland

MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

Presented by Representative KASPRZAK of Newport.
Cosponsored by Representatives: ANNIS of Dover-Foxcroft, DUPREY of Hampden,
WATERHOUSE of Bridgton.

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

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Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA c. 187, sub-c. II, as amended, is repealed.

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Sec. 2. Locate and repeal all state planning mandates imposed on municipalities. By January 15, 2002, the Director of the State Planning Office and the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall jointly prepare and present a report to the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government on all planning mandates imposed on municipalities by state law or rules adopted pursuant to state law. The report must identify each of those planning mandates, cite the specific law or rule that creates the mandate and briefly explain the nature of the mandate and the annual cost to each affected municipality to administer and enforce that mandate. The Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government shall report out a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 120th Legislature that repeals the statutory authority for all of those mandates identified by the Director of the State Planning Office, by other persons or by the committee.

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Sec. 3. Revisor's review; cross-references. The Revisor of Statutes shall review the Maine Revised Statutes and include in the errors and inconsistencies bill submitted to the Second Regular Session of the 120th Legislature pursuant to Title 1, section 94 any sections necessary to correct and update any cross-references in the statutes to provisions of law repealed in this Act.

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SUMMARY

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This bill repeals the State's growth management program and directs the Director of the State Planning Office and the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development to jointly report in January of 2002 to the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government with a list and description of all state laws and rules that impose planning mandates on towns. The Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government is required to report a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 120th Legislature that repeals all the mandates identified in that report, by other persons or by the committee.

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