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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1093, L.D. 1462, "Resolve, Establishing a Criminal Code Revision Commission"

Amend the resolve by striking out all of section 6 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 6. Staff. Resolved: That, upon approval of the Legislative Council, the Office of Policy and Legal Analysis shall provide necessary staffing assistance to the commissioner; and be it further'

Further amend the resolve in section 8 in the last line (page 2, line 28 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "." and inserting in its place the following: '; and be it further'

Further amend the resolve by inserting after section 8 the following:

'Sec. 9. Budget. Resolved: That the chairs of the commission, with assistance from the commission staff, shall administer the commission's budget. Within 10 days after its first meeting, the commission shall present a work plan and proposed budget to the Legislative Council for approval. The commission may not incur expenses that would result in the commission's exceeding its approved budget.

Upon request from the commission, the Executive Director of the Legislative Council or the executive director's designee shall promptly provide the commission chairs and staff with a status report on the commission's budget, expenditures incurred and paid and available funds; and be it further

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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Sec. 10. Appropriation. Resolved: That the following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this resolve.

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| | 2001-02 | 2002-03 |
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| LEGISLATURE | | |
| Criminal Code Revision Commission | | |
| Personal Services | \$825 | \$1,375 |
| All Other | 1,925 | 2,375 |
| Provides funds for the per diem and expenses of legislative members and other eligible members of the Criminal Code Revision Commission and to print the required report. | | |
| LEGISLATURE TOTAL | \$2,750 | \$3,750' |

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

FISCAL NOTE

| | 2001-02 | 2002-03 |
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| APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS | | |
| General Fund | \$2,750 | \$3,750 |

The Legislature will require additional General Fund appropriations of \$2,750 in fiscal year 2001-02 and \$3,750 in fiscal year 2002-03 for the per diem and expenses of legislative members and other eligible members of the Criminal Code Revision Commission and to print the required report.

The Judicial Department and the Department of the Attorney General will incur some minor additional costs to serve on the commission. These costs can be absorbed within the departments' existing budgeted resources.

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2 The additional costs associated with providing staffing
assistance to the commission during the interim between
4 legislative sessions can be absorbed by the Legislature utilizing
existing budgeted resources. If an extension of the reporting
6 deadline is granted and the commission requires staffing
assistance during the legislative session, the Legislature may
8 require an additional General Fund appropriation to contract for
staff services.'

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SUMMARY

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14 This amendment adds language specifying the authority of the
commission chairs to manage the commission's budget. In
16 addition, this amendment adds an appropriation section and a
fiscal note to the resolve.