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L.D. 1516

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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
120TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 463, L.D. 1516, Bill, "An Act to Support Family Farms"

Amend the amendment by striking out all of section 1 (page 1, lines 25 to 46 in amendment) and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 1. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND RURAL RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF
Division of Market and Production Development

Initiative: Provides funds for one additional 25-hours-per-week Senior Planner position to provide financial and estate planning to farmers, to provide outreach and assistance concerning land management and limited development planning in order to bring agricultural projects before the Land for Maine's Future Board and to conduct research and data collection in order to establish a base line of information about farmland values for guidelines for assessors to use in the farm and open space tax program.

General Fund	2001-02	2002-03
Positions - Legislative Count	(0.000)	(1.000)
Personal Services	\$0	\$38,379
All Other	0	1,250
Capital Expenditures	0	3,500
Total	\$0	\$43,129

SENATE AMENDMENT

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SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 463,
L.D. 1516

Office of the Commissioner

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Initiative: Provides funds to be used for dues associated with
membership in the Northeastern States Association for
Agricultural Stewardship.

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General Fund	2001-02	2002-03
All Other	\$0	\$20,000

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**AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND RURAL RESOURCES,
DEPARTMENT OF**

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DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2001-02	2002-03
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GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$63,129
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DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$63,129'
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FISCAL NOTE

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This amendment lowers the General Fund cost to the Division of Market and Production Development within the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources by \$17,027 in fiscal year 2002-03. The amendment also adds another General Fund appropriation of \$20,000 for the Office of the Commissioner within the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources. As amended, the General Fund cost of the bill is \$63,129.

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SUMMARY

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This amendment reduces the full-time Senior Planner position to 25 hours per week and provides funding for dues for membership in the Northeastern States Association for Agricultural Stewardship.

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SPONSORED BY: *Goldthwait*
(Senator GOLDTHWAIT)

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COUNTY: Hancock

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