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120th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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No. 1616

H.P. 1194

House of Representatives, March 13, 2001

**An Act to Assist Regional Service Centers With the Construction of
Parking Garages.**

Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

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MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

Presented by Representative NORBERT of Portland.
Cosponsored by Senator SAWYER of Penobscot and
Representatives: CANAVAN of Waterville, MARLEY of Portland, Senator: ABROMSON of
Cumberland.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §6006-D, sub-§4** is enacted to read:

6 **4. State cost-sharing program for regional service center**
8 **parking garages. The bank may administer funds for the**
10 **construction of regional service center parking garages. For the**
12 **purpose of this subsection, a regional service center is**
14 **determined by rule of the Department of Economic and Community**
16 **Development, referred to in this subsection as the "department."**
18 **Any bonds issued under this section must be paid for out of the**
20 **General Fund. In administering these funds, the department shall**
22 **provide funding to regional service centers for approved projects**
24 **according to the order of priority established biennially by the**
26 **department. Once priority is established all projects on the**
28 **list of approved projects must be funded before any new projects**
30 **are added to the list. The department shall establish guidelines**
32 **by rule to fund eligible applicants in a consistent and timely**
34 **manner.**

36 Any rules adopted by the department under this subsection are
38 routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375,
40 subchapter II-A.

Sec. 2. Application; criteria. Section 1 of this Act may not be
implemented and funding under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title
30-A, section 6006-D, subsection 4 may not be approved by the
Department of Economic and Community Development until law
enacting criteria for allocation of funds takes effect. The
department shall, with the cooperation of stakeholders, develop
criteria for allocation of funds under Title 30-A, section
6006-D, subsection 4 and shall submit legislation to the 120th
Legislature by January 31, 2002 proposing the criteria.

SUMMARY

This bill provides financial assistance for the State's
regional service center communities that need to construct
parking garages.