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**BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1438, L.D. 1935, Bill, "An Act Concerning the State Board of Funeral Service"

Amend the bill in section 1 in the first paragraph in the 5th and 6th lines (page 1, lines 10 and 11 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "in order to investigate" and inserting in its place the following: ', which may include the investigation of'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in the first paragraph in the 7th line (page 1, line 12 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "or as may otherwise be needed"

Further amend the bill in section 1 in the first paragraph in the 8th line (page 1, line 13 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "may" the following: 'also'

Further amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

'Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**PROFESSIONAL AND FINANCIAL  
REGULATION, DEPARTMENT OF**

**Licensing and Enforcement**

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

2 Initiative: Provides funds to replace one intermittent Funeral  
3 Inspector position with one 20-hour-per-week Funeral Inspector  
4 position due to the increased number of inspections.

6	<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>2001-02</b>	<b>2002-03</b>
7	Positions - Legislative Count	(0.000)	(0.500)
8	Position - FTE Count	(0.000)	(-0.228)
9	Personal Services	\$0	\$11,800
10	All Other	0	2,000
11	Capital Expenditures	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
12	Other Special Revenue Funds Total	\$0	\$13,800'

14 Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the  
15 summary the following:

18 **FISCAL NOTE**

20 **2002-03**

22 **APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS**

24 Other Funds \$13,800

26 This bill eliminates the requirement that the State Board of  
27 Funeral Service conduct a sanitation inspection every 3 years and  
28 replaces it with a requirement that inspections be conducted in  
29 response to complaints or alleged violations.

30 This bill includes an Other Special Revenue fund allocation  
31 of \$13,800 in fiscal year 2002-03 for the Licensing and  
32 Enforcement Division within the Department of Professional and  
33 Financial Regulation to replace one intermittent Funeral  
34 Inspector position with one 20-hour-per-week Funeral Inspector  
35 position due to the increased number of inspections.

36 The additional costs associated with adopting rules  
37 associated with inspections can be absorbed by the department  
38 utilizing existing budgeted resources.'

42 **SUMMARY**

44 This amendment clarifies the scope of investigation of  
45 funeral establishments and adds an appropriations and allocations  
46 section and a fiscal note to the bill.