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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
121ST LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "**A**" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 973, L.D. 1319, Bill, "An Act Making Unified Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government, General Fund and Other Funds, and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2004 and June 30, 2005"

Amend the amendment by inserting after Part MMM the following:

PART NNN

Sec. NNN-1. Savings plan and report. The State Tax Assessor shall develop a plan to increase administrative efficiencies within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of Revenue Services in order to generate the General Fund savings identified in section 3 of this Part. The plan must minimize any negative effect on budgeted General Fund revenue and must provide for the elimination of the equivalent of 11 full-time positions within the Bureau of Revenue Services. The State Tax Assessor shall provide a copy of the plan to the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation no later than August 1, 2003.

Sec. NNN-2. Calculation and transfer. Notwithstanding any provision of law and consistent with the savings plan required pursuant to section one of this Part, upon the recommendation of the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services, the State Budget Officer shall calculate the amount of savings in section 3 of this Part that apply against each line category within the Maine Revenue Services program and shall transfer the

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amounts by financial order upon the approval of the Governor. These transfers are considered adjustments to appropriations in fiscal year 2003-04 and fiscal year 2004-05. The State Budget Officer shall provide the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation a report of the transferred amounts no later than January 15, 2004.

Sec. NNN-3. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made:

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Bureau of Revenue Services

Initiative: Deappropriates funds to be identified by the State Tax Assessor and recommended by the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services as a result of increased administrative efficiencies within the Bureau of Revenue Services.

General Fund	2003-04	2004-05
Positions - Legislative Count	(-11,000)	(-11,000)
Unallocated	(\$450,000)	(\$550,000)
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	(450,000)	(550,000)

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT TOTALS

GENERAL FUND	(450,000)	(550,000)
DEPARTMENT TOTALS - ALL FUNDS	(450,000)	(550,000)

PROGRAM EVALUATION AND GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTABILITY, OFFICE OF

Office of Program Evaluation and Governmental Accountability

Initiative: Provides funds for a Director, a Principal Analyst, Administrative Secretary, a part-time Committee Clerk and general operating expenses to establish the Office of Program Evaluation and Governmental Accountability.

General Fund	2003-04	2004-05
Positions - Legislative Count	(3,500)	(3,500)
Personal Services	293,857	362,231
All Other	156,143	187,769

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GENERAL FUND TOTAL	450,000	550,000
PROGRAM EVALUATION AND GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTABILITY, OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT TOTAL		
	2003-04	2004-05
GENERAL FUND	450,000	550,000
DEPARTMENT TOTALS - ALL FUNDS	<u>450,000</u>	<u>550,000</u>
SECTION TOTALS		
	2003-04	2004-05
GENERAL FUND	0	0
DEPARTMENT TOTALS - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0'</u>

Further amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment deappropriates funds from the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of Revenue Services and uses those funds to fund the Office of Program Evaluation and Governmental Accountability. It also requires the State Tax Assessor to submit a savings plan to the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation and authorizes the State Budget Officer to distribute the identified savings as adjustments to appropriations for the 2004-2005 biennium.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)**

SPONSORED BY: *Jonathan Courtney*
(Representative COURTNEY)

TOWN: Sanford

**121st Maine Legislature
Office of Fiscal and Program Review**



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LR 2000(09)

Fiscal Note for House Amendment " " to Committee Amendment "A"

Sponsor: Rep. Courtney

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	2003-04	2004-05	Biennium
Net Cost (Savings)			
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations			
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0

This amendment has no net effect on appropriations