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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
122ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

SENATE AMENDMENT "0" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 343, L.D. 468, 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, 2006 and June 30, 2007"

Amend the amendment in Part 000 by striking out all of section 1.

Further amend the amendment in Part 000 in section 2 in the 4th line (page 367, line 4 in amendment) by striking out the following: "shall" and inserting in its place the following: 'may'

Further amend the amendment in Part 000 in section 2 in subsection 1 in the first line (page 367, line 8 in amendment) by striking out the following: "shall evaluate" and inserting in its place the following: 'may evaluate any one or more of'

Further amend the amendment in Part 000 in section 2 in subsection 1 by adding at the end a new blocked paragraph to read:

'By October 1, 2005, the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs shall present to the office the committee's recommendations on prioritizing the evaluations of the programs listed in paragraphs A to N.'

Further amend the amendment in Part 000 in section 2 in subsection 2 by striking out all of paragraphs D to F (page 368, lines 22 to 33 in amendment) and inserting in their place the following:

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'D. What additional data should be collected regarding the various programs and to whom the data should be reported; and

E. Whether additional methods of accountability are needed in the program.'

Further amend the amendment in Part 000 in section 2 in subsection 3 in the 2nd and 3rd lines (page 368, lines 40 and 41 in amendment) by striking out the following: "January 15, 2006" and inserting in its place the following: 'March 1, 2006'

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

SUMMARY

This amendment strikes that section of Part 000 that authorizes the Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability to examine certain personnel issues. This amendment also authorizes, rather than requires, the Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability to review the programs specified in Part 000, section 2, strikes the requirement that the committee review whether the public benefit of the program justifies the public expense and changes the reporting date from January 15, 2006 to March 1, 2006. This amendment also directs the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs to present to the Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability the committee's recommendations on prioritizing the review of specified programs.

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SENATE AMENDMENT