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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
122ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 422, L.D. 589, Bill, "An Act To Strengthen Ethical Standards Regarding Former Legislators"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'Resolve, Directing the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices To Study Ethical Standards Regarding Former Legislators'

Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices to study ethical standards regarding former Legislators. Resolved: That the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices, established by the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, chapter 25, subchapter 1, shall study whether there is a potential ethical issue with former Legislators acting as lobbyists after leaving office; and be it further

Sec. 2. Report and recommendations. Resolved: That the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices shall reports its findings and recommendations, including suggested legislation if appropriate, to the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government no later than January 15, 2006; and be it further

Sec. 3. Authority to report out legislation. Resolved: That the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government is authorized to report out legislation concerning the study undertaken pursuant to section 1 to the Second Regular Session of the 122nd Legislature.'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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SUMMARY

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This amendment replaces the bill. The amendment is a
6 resolve directing the Commission on Governmental Ethics and
Election Practices to study whether there is a potential ethical
8 issue with former Legislators acting as lobbyists after leaving
office.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See Attached)



Approved: 03/28/05 *MJC*

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LD 589

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An Act To Strengthen Ethical Standards Regarding Former Legislators

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"

Committee: State and Local Government

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund