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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "**A**" to S.P. 466, L.D. 1339, Bill, "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Powers and Duties of the Washington County Development Authority"

Amend the bill in section 4 by striking out all of subsection 2 (page 2, lines 13 to 39 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'2. Membership; appointment. The authority is governed by a board of trustees composed of 9 13 voting members appointed or designated by the Governor.

A. The Governor shall make 8 12 appointments to the board of trustees, ~~6 of which must be~~ 9 of whom must be selected from a pool of candidates who are residents of Washington County and are nominated by the primary impact communities private, nonprofit, countywide, federally recognized Washington County-based economic development organizations other than the authority. Primary impact communities also may make nominations. The Governor shall appoint members who reflect the diversity of interests represented by these communities. The Governor shall ensure that all regions of the county, as defined by the 3 county commissioner districts, are equally represented on the board of trustees. A municipality may not have more than 2 trustees sitting on the board of trustees.

B. The Governor shall designate a commissioner of a department of State Government to be a voting, ex officio member of the board of trustees. The ex officio member designated pursuant to this paragraph may name a designee.

The ~~8-appointed~~ members appointed pursuant to paragraph A are subject to review by the joint standing committee of the

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2 Legislature having jurisdiction over business and economic
development matters and to confirmation by the Senate.'

4 Further amend the bill in section 5 by striking out all of
6 subsection 3 (page 2, lines 44 to 50 and page 3, lines 1 to 3 in
L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

8 '3. **Terms.** Trustees are appointed for 4-year terms, ~~except~~
~~that, for initial appointments, one trustee is appointed to a~~
10 ~~one-year term, 2 trustees to 2-year terms, 2 trustees to 3-year~~
~~terms and 3 trustees to 4-year terms.~~ The commissioner
12 designated pursuant to subsection 2, paragraph B, or that
14 commissioner's designee, serves at the pleasure of the Governor.
Trustees may be removed by the Governor. The board of trustees
16 by majority vote may recommend trustee removal due to poor
18 attendance at board meetings. A trustee continues to hold office
until a successor is appointed and qualified, but the term of the
20 successor is not altered from the original expiration date of
that term. A person may not serve more than 2 consecutive 4-year
terms as a trustee.'

22 Further amend the bill by inserting after section 6 the
following:

24 'Sec. 7. **Staggered terms.** Notwithstanding the Maine Revised
26 Statutes, Title 5, section 13083-C, subsection 3, of the 4 new
members of the board of trustees of the Washington County
28 Development Authority appointed pursuant to this Act, one trustee
is appointed to a one-year term, one trustee is appointed to a
30 2-year term, one trustee is appointed to a 3-year term and one
trustee is appointed to a 4-year term.'

34 **SUMMARY**

36 This amendment changes the composition of the board of
38 trustees of the Washington County Development Authority to
include 12 appointments. Nine of the members must be selected
40 from candidates who are residents of Washington County and are
nominated by private, nonprofit, countywide, federally recognized
42 Washington County-based economic development organizations other
than the authority. It provides that primary impact communities
44 also may make nominations. It requires that the Governor ensure
that all regions of the county, as defined by the 3 county
46 commissioner districts, are equally represented on the board of
trustees. A municipality may not have more than 2 trustees
48 sitting on the board of trustees. It provides for staggered
terms for the newly appointed members of the board of trustees
50 and describes the manner in which trustees may be removed from

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2 the board. It also provides that trustees may not serve more than 2 consecutive 4-year terms on the board.

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