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L.D. 593

Date: 06-11-07

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STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
123RD LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT "B" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 184, L.D. 593, "Resolve, To Establish a Second Public Safety Answering Point for Kennebec County"

Amend the amendment by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting the following:

'Amend the resolve by striking out the title and substituting the following:

**'Resolve, Concerning Public Safety Answering Points for Kennebec County'**

Amend the resolve by inserting after the 4th indented paragraph after the title the following:

**'Whereas,** issues of software compatibility and cost must be addressed prior to implementing the consolidation of public safety answering points in Kennebec County; and'

Amend the resolve by striking out all of section 1 and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 1. Delay implementation of consolidation. Resolved:** That, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the Public Utilities Commission shall delay implementation of the consolidation of public safety answering points in Kennebec County until the resolution of issues concerning software compatibility and cost in accordance with section 2. The consolidation of public safety answering points in Kennebec County may be implemented no sooner than October 1, 2008; and be it further

**Sec. 2. Review; report. Resolved:** That the Public Utilities Commission, within its existing resources, shall work with the Department of Public Safety and affected municipalities in Kennebec County to examine issues associated with the consolidation of public safety answering points in Kennebec County, including but not limited to issues concerning software compatibility and cost. The Public Utilities Commission shall submit a report on its findings, including any recommendations, to the Joint Standing

**SENATE AMENDMENT**

1 Committee on Utilities and Energy no later than January 1, 2008. After receipt and  
2 review of the report, the joint standing committee may submit legislation to the Second  
3 Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature; and be it further

4 **Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved:** That the following  
5 appropriations and allocations are made.

6 **PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

7 **Emergency Services Communication Bureau 0994**

8 Initiative: Provides funds for the projected costs associated with equipping 3 public safety  
9 answering points in Waterville, Augusta and the Kennebec County Sheriff's Office.

10	<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>2007-08</b>	<b>2008-09</b>
11	All Other	\$390,855	\$390,855
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13	<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$390,855</b>	<b>\$390,855</b>

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15 **SUMMARY**

16 This amendment eliminates the requirement that the Public Utilities Commission  
17 amend its rules to require 2 public safety answering points in Kennebec County and  
18 instead delays implementation of the consolidation of public safety answering points in  
19 Kennebec County until the resolution of issues concerning software compatibility and  
20 cost has been accomplished. This amendment requires the Public Utilities Commission  
21 within its existing resources to work with the Department of Public Safety and affected  
22 municipalities in Kennebec County to examine those issues and to report its findings and  
23 recommendations to the Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy no later than  
24 January 1, 2008. The joint standing committee is authorized to submit legislation to the  
25 Second Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature.

26 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

27 (See attached)

28 **SPONSORED BY:** Elizabeth J. Mitchell  
29 (Senator MITCHELL)

30 **COUNTY:** Kennebec



# 123rd MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 593

LR 918(04)

**Resolve, To Establish a Second Public Safety Answering Point for Kennebec County**

**Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment "B" to Committee Amendment "A"**

**Sponsor: Sen. Mitchell of Kennebec**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

## Fiscal Note

	2007-08	2008-09	Projections 2009-10	Projections 2010-11
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$272,355	\$272,355	\$272,355	\$272,355

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

This amendment will require the Public Utilities Commission to negotiate an amendment to the 2006-2011 contract to equip Waterville, Augusta and the Kennebec County Sheriff's Office as additional public safety answering points (PSAPs) in Kennebec County until final consolidation is implemented in October of 2008. The incremental increase from this amendment is \$272,355 annually beginning in fiscal year 2007-08. As amended, the bill includes an Other Special Revenue Funds allocation to the Emergency Services Communication Bureau within the Public Utilities Commission of \$390,855 annually beginning in fiscal year 2007-08 to provide funds to equip these additional PSAPs.