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House of Representatives, January 6, 2011

An Act To Require an Independent Audit of State Government Every 4 Years

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

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HEATHER J.R. PRIEST Clerk

Presented by Representative CEBRA of Naples. Cosponsored by Senator LANGLEY of Hancock and Representatives: CHASE of Wells, CURTIS of Madison, DOW of Waldoboro, FITTS of Pittsfield, McKANE of Newcastle, SARTY of Denmark.

1 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

2 Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §1547-A is enacted to read:

3 §1547-A. Independent audit of State Government

Beginning in January 2013, and every 4 years thereafter, the State Controller shall
contract with an independent, qualified auditor that is not employed by the Department of
Audit or the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to conduct a complete
financial audit of the State Government, as defined in section 1541, subsection 11, for the
previous fiscal year ending June 30th. The audit must be conducted in accordance with
generally accepted governmental auditing standards and must be completed by June 30th
of the year in which the audit is undertaken.

SUMMARY

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12 This bill requires the State Controller within the Department of Administrative and 13 Financial Services to contract with an independent auditor to conduct a single fiscal year 14 financial audit of State Government every 4 years beginning in 2013.