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L.D. 844 (Filing No. H-**186**)

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5	STATE OF MAINE
6	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
7	127TH LEGISLATURE
8	FIRST REGULAR SESSION
9 10	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " " to H.P. 578, L.D. 844, Bill, "An Act To Improve Transit Services Statewide"
11 12 13	Amend the bill in section 2 in subsection 1 in the 9th and 10th lines (page 1, lines 16 and 17 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Labor,"
14 15 16	Amend the bill in section 4 in subsection 2 in the last paragraph in the 5th line (page 2, line 9 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Labor,"
17 18 19 20 21	Amend the bill in section 6 in subsection 4 in the first to 3rd lines (page 3, lines 3 to 5 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "The committee commissioner, the Commissioner of Health and Human Services and the Commissioner of Labor shall act to coordinate purchase of service contracts and." and inserting the following: 'The committee shall act to coordinate purchase of service contracts and'
22 23	Amend the bill in section 8 in §4209-A by striking out all of subsection 2 and inserting the following:
24	2. Membership. The council must include, but is not limited to, the following:
25	A. The commissioner or the commissioner's designee; and
26	B. The following individuals appointed by the commissioner:
27 28	(1) One representative each from the federally designated planning organizations for the Bangor, Kittery, Lewiston and Auburn and Portland regions;
29	(2) One representative of private bus operators;
30 31	(3) One representative of a statewide nonprofit organization advocating on behalf of the elderly;
32	(4) One representative of a medical provider;
33	(5) One representative of a business that relies on public transportation;

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### **COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

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## COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " to H.P. 578, L.D. 844

2	agencies; agencies
3	(7) One representative of an organization representing persons with disabilities;
4	(8) One representative of a nonprofit transit provider;
5	(9) One representative of an economic development organization; and
6	(10) One representative of an organization representing low-income persons.
7 8	In making appointments, the commissioner shall ensure that rural and urban areas are represented.'
9 10	Amend the bill in section 8 in §4209-A in subsection 5 by striking out all of paragraph C (page 5, lines 1 to 3 in L.D.) and inserting the following:
11 12	'C. Recommendations for the optimal coordination of transit services with other senior and veteran services.'
13 14	Amend the bill in section 10 in the 4th line (page 5, line 14 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "E" and inserting the following: 'B'
15 16	Amend the bill in section 10 in the 5th line (page 5, line 15 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "E" and inserting the following: 'B'
17	SUMMARY
18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26	This amendment removes representatives of the Department of Labor, the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Economic and Community Development from the Public Transit Advisory Council, which the bill creates. The bill requires the council to make recommendations for the optimal coordination of transit services with other senior and veteran services provided by the Department of Transportation and the Department of Health and Human Services. The amendment requires the council to make recommendations for the optimal coordination of transit services with other senior and veteran services generally, without reference to those services provided by the departments.
27 28 29 30	It also removes the Department of Labor and the Department of Health and Human Services from the list of entities the Department of Transportation must consult with when designating regional public transportation agencies, approving locally coordinated plans for regional transit and coordinating purchase of service contracts.
31	FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
32	(See attached)



#### 127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

**LD 844** 

LR 356(02)

An Act To Improve Transit Services Statewide

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment  $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{H}-186)$ Committee: Transportation

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

#### **Fiscal Note**

Minor savings - Highway Fund

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

Moving from a 2-year locally coordinated plan for regional transit to a 5-year plan could result in minor Highway Fund savings not requiring any change to the budget.