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An Act To Reexamine the Relationship among County, Municipal and State Governments

Received by the Clerk of the House on February 11, 2021. Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative SYLVESTER of Portland.

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

2 **CONCEPT DRAFT**

3 **SUMMARY**

4 This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

5 This bill would create a committee to study:

- 6 1. The relationship among county, municipal and state governments;
- 7 2. The roles of county government in other states;
- 8 3. Which, if any, of those roles might be beneficial in this State;
- 9 4. Whether the existing powers of county government are adequate to fill those roles;
- 10 and
- 11 5. Whether the powers of county government should be increased to help county
- 12 governments provide regional leadership in various areas, including health care, education
- 13 data collection and workforce development.