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House of Representatives, February 24, 2021

**An Act To Save Money by Eliminating the Requirement That the
Annual Reports of State Agencies Be Printed**

Received by the Clerk of the House on February 22, 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 CONNOR of Lewiston.
Cosponsored by Representatives: COLLAMORE of Pittsfield, DUCHARME of Madison,
LEMELIN of Chelsea, NADEAU of Winslow, ROCHE of Wells.

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

Sec. 1. 1 MRSA §501-A, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1997, c. 299, §1, is amended to read:

3. Annual or biennial reports. Immediately upon receipt of any annual or biennial report that is not included in the online Maine State Government Annual Report provided for in Title 5, sections 43 to 46, the State Purchasing Agent shall deliver at least 55 copies of that annual or biennial report to the State Librarian for exchange and library use. The State Purchasing Agent shall deliver the balance of the number of each such report to the agency that prepared the report.

Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §43, 4th ¶, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 436, §3, is amended to read:

The Governor shall consolidate such reports and shall cause them to be ~~printed and~~ published in convenient form ~~for distribution and sale~~ available online as a public document entitled "The Maine State Government Annual Report" no later than December 31st.

Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §43, 5th ¶, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 436, §3, is repealed.

SUMMARY

This bill requires the annual reports of state agencies to be published online rather than printed and distributed for sale.