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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT BILL SUMMARY



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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES JULY 1985

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LD:

830

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR BIENNIAL CONFERENCES ON SMALL BUSINESS

MURPHY T ARMSTRONG DAGGETT BAKER A

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HOUSE Accepted Committee Report SENATE Accepted Committee Report GOV

SUMMARY:

This bill proposed to require the Governor to hold a statewide conference on small business and the Maine economy at least once every 2 years. The last Blaine House Conference on Small Business was held in October 1980.

Small business, according to the bill's proponents, is considered to be the backbone of the State's economy and it is important that a regular forum is held in which to focus on what can be done to foster the development and expandion of small businesses and the growth of the Maine economy.

The Committee was divided with respect to LD 830. Some members felt that a small business conference held every 2 years would be too frequent. Other members were opposed to mandating the Governor in public law to hold the conferences.

LD:

878 AN ACT REGARDING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE MAINE HEALTH AND HIGHER EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY

GWADOSKY DILLENBACK ANDREWS

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HOUSE Accepted Committee Report SENATE Accepted Committee Report GOV

SUMMARY:

LD 878 proposed that the executive director of the Maine Municipal Bond Bank serve as executive director of the Maine Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority.

The purpose of the bill was to consolidate the staff of two agencies to incur cost savings.

Currently the MHHEFA operates from Dover, New Hampshire. This central office serves both New Hampshire and Maine. This structural strategy has been proposed to save administrative/operational costs and to reduce the bond issue costs (combine bonds if possible - under an umbrella bond issue).

The MHHEFA assists private, non-profit hospitals, non-profit nursing homes, and private, non-profit higher educational institutions within Maine in financing the