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In Senate, April 10, 2025

An Act to Require Recommendations from Study Commissions to Be Printed as Legislative Documents

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D M Grant", is positioned above the printed name of the Secretary of the Senate.

DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BENNETT of Oxford.
Cosponsored by Representative GRAHAM of North Yarmouth and
Senator: ROTUNDO of Androscoggin, Representative: DUCHARME of Madison.

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

Sec. 1. 3 MRSA §170-C is enacted to read:

§170-C. Reports of study commissions to Legislature

When a study commission is authorized to provide to the Legislature a report that includes that study commission's recommendations, those recommendations must be produced as an Act or resolve and are authorized for submission to the Legislature to which the study commission is authorized to submit its report. All such legislation must be referred to a committee of that Legislature and given a public hearing.

As used in this section, "study commission" means any group of individuals established in an Act, resolve or joint order or by the Legislative Council whose duties include studying and reporting to the Legislature on any matter or advising the Legislature on any matter. As used in this section, "committee" means a joint standing committee or joint select committee of the Legislature.

SUMMARY

This bill requires that the recommendations of a study commission established by the Legislature be produced as legislation, submitted to the Legislature to which the study commission is required to submit its report, referred to a joint standing committee or joint select committee of the Legislature and given a public hearing.