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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
126TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 58, L.D. 80, Bill, “An Act To Change the Schedule for the Beginning of the Biennial Budget Cycle”

Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 5 to 7 (page 2, lines 26 to 34 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

Sec. 5. Application; single-year budget 2017-18. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2017, the budget of the State must provide for a complete financial plan for only that one fiscal year.

Sec. 6. Submit legislation. The joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over appropriations and financial affairs shall submit a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 127th Legislature to address references throughout the Maine Revised Statutes to the "biennial budget" and to make any additional technical changes necessary to implement this Act.

Sec. 7. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
Information Services 0155**

Initiative: Provides funds for the Bureau of the Budget's information system changes required to accommodate the change to the budget biennium.

GENERAL FUND	2013-14	2014-15
All Other	\$0	\$245,975
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$245,975

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

1	ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL		
2	SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		
3	DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2013-14	2014-15
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5	GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$245,975
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7	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$0	\$245,975

8 **LEGISLATURE**
 9 **Legislature 0081**

10 Initiative: Provides funding for the Legislature to contract for assistance to reprogram the
 11 Legislature's budget and fiscal note system to accommodate the change to the budget
 12 biennium.

13	GENERAL FUND	2013-14	2014-15
14	All Other	\$60,000	\$0
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16	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$60,000	\$0

17	LEGISLATURE		
18	DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2013-14	2014-15
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20	GENERAL FUND	\$60,000	\$0
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22	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$60,000	\$0

23	SECTION TOTALS	2013-14	2014-15
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25	GENERAL FUND	\$60,000	\$245,975
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27	SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$60,000	\$245,975

28 **Sec. 8. Effective date.** Those sections of this Act that amend the Maine Revised
 29 Statutes, Title 5, section 1665, subsections 1 and 7; Title 5, section 1666, first paragraph;
 30 and Title 5, section 1666-A take effect July 1, 2017.'

31 **SUMMARY**

32 This amendment is the minority report of the committee and shifts the start of the
 33 fiscal biennium for the state budget from the first regular session of the Legislature to the
 34 second regular session of the Legislature beginning with the fiscal year that begins on
 35 July 1, 2018, instead of July 1, 2016 as proposed in the bill. It also provides that the state

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1 budget beginning July 1, 2017, instead of July 1, 2015 as proposed in the bill, is a one-
2 year budget. The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section to the
3 bill.

4 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

5 **(See attached)**