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S.P. 690

In Senate, March 29, 2016

### An Act To Clarify the Appointment Process

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Heather J.R. Priest".

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator GERZOFKY of Cumberland. (GOVERNOR'S BILL)  
Cosponsored by Senator: CUSHING of Penobscot.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 1 MRSA §75** is enacted to read:

3 **§75. Construction of statutes relating to appointments**

4 If a statute provides that an entity or individual provide to the Governor names of  
5 candidates for appointment to a position, but does not specify the number of names of  
6 candidates that must be provided, that statute is construed to mean that the entity or  
7 individual must provide the Governor a list of at least 3 qualified candidates.

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This bill clarifies the appointment process in those instances when an individual or  
10 entity is required by statute to provide the Governor names of candidates for appointment,  
11 but the number of candidates is not specified, to require that a list of at least 3 qualified  
12 candidates be provided to the Governor.