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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 648, L.D. 1655, Bill, “An Act To Amend the Military Bureau Laws”

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 2 (page 3, lines 16 to 28 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

Sec. 2. 37-B MRSA §154, as amended by PL 2003, c. 488, §2 and affected by §5, is further amended to read:

§154. Capital Repair, Maintenance, Construction and Acquisition Account

Except as provided in section 353, the Capital Repair, Maintenance, Construction and Acquisition Account is established in the Military Bureau as a nonlapsing fund to assist in defraying the capital repair, maintenance and construction of state-owned properties of the Military Bureau, as well as purchasing land for training sites. The bureau may not spend ~~\$300,000~~ \$500,000 or more for any single capital repair, maintenance or construction project or land acquisition unless that expenditure is approved in advance by the Legislature. Not later than January 1st of each odd-numbered year, the bureau shall submit a list to the Legislature that identifies the location, nature and cost of each planned capital repair, maintenance and construction project and land acquisition costing less than ~~\$300,000~~ \$500,000.'

SUMMARY

This amendment reduces the amount expended from the Capital Repair, Maintenance, Construction and Acquisition Account for a capital repair, maintenance and construction project or land acquisition that would require approval by the Legislature from \$1,000,000, as the bill proposes, to \$500,000. It also requires that any construction, maintenance or capital repair projects and any land acquisitions costing less than \$500,000 be included in the biennial report required by current law.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT