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9 10	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " " to S.P. 366, L.D. 1084, Bill, "An Act To Amend the Androscoggin County Charter"
11	Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:
12 13	'Resolve, Directing the Androscoggin County Commissioners To Make Changes to the Androscoggin County Charter'
14	Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and inserting the following:
15 16 17 18	'Sec. 1. Androscoggin County Commissioners to make changes to the Androscoggin County charter. Resolved: That, notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, section 1324, the Androscoggin County Commissioners are directed to make the following changes to the Androscoggin County charter.
19 20 21 22	1. The charter must be amended in section 2.2 to add language that allows the board to arrange by contract to have functions of one or more municipalities, the State, federal agencies, special districts or public or private entities to be transferred to and be performed by the county.
23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32	2. The charter must be amended in section 3.1 to indicate that new commissioners elected take office January 1, 2015, except that a commissioner elected prior to the establishment of the new commissioner districts serves the remainder of that commissioner's term representing the commissioner district that contains that commissioner's place of residence; to eliminate the subsection establishing a special election for transitional terms; and to provide that, beginning January 1, 2015, terms of the commissioners are for 4 years, except that commissioners originally elected for terms extending beyond December 31, 2013 serve the balance of their terms, and one newly elected commissioner in district 2, 4 or 6 serves a transitional term of 2 years and commissioners elected to succeed those 3 serve 4-year terms.
33 34 35	3. The charter must be amended in subsection 5.5.3 to provide that the budget committee only approves a final proposed budget to be submitted to the board for its approval, rather than adopting a final budget that is transmitted to the board.

4. The charter must be amended in subsection 5.5.4 to give the board the authority to modify the proposed budget and to adopt the final budget and to require the board to vote to adopt the final budget.'

4 SUMMARY

 This amendment is the majority report of the committee and replaces the bill. In November 2012 changes to the Androscoggin County charter were presented to the voters at a countywide vote and accepted by the voters of Androscoggin County pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, section 1324. After the charter was filed with the Secretary of State, it was realized that the wrong charter had been voted on; the changes included in this amendment were the intent of the charter commission and were presented by the county charter members at public presentations and at a county commission meeting. The purpose of this amendment is to allow the board of county commissioners of Androscoggin County to make the changes to the charter that would have been voted on in November without incurring the expenses of another countywide vote.