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The Honorable Roger Katz
Senate Chair
Government Oversight Committee
Maine State Legislature

The Honorable Chuck Kruger
House Chair
Government Oversight Committee
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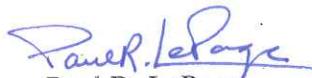
Dear Chair Katz and Chair Kruger,

Thank you for the Committee's attention to the ongoing efforts to improve the efficiency and execution of the Office of Information Technology. I have personally reviewed the report, "Office of Information Technology Follow-up Review – Progress Made Implementing Strategic Improvement Plan; Broader Issues Need Executive Attention for State to Advance Further" and found the conclusions constructive and largely aligned with the Administration's priorities for the Office of Information Technology. The Administration is working to execute a significant number of the recommendations included in the report, as well as take steps to position the State of Maine to confront growing cyber security needs throughout the state.

You requested that Commissioner Rosen and Chief Information Officer Jim Smith attend meetings of the committee in the coming weeks and months. I believe it would be most productive to wait until the September meeting for both Commissioner Rosen and Mr. Smith to fully explain and review the status of implementing the executive level decisions and also discuss legislative recommendations to meet the objectives of the report. I have asked them to make themselves available for your September meeting.

Thank you for your request and attention to the work we have embarked on at the Office of Information Technology.

Sincerely,


Paul R. LePage
Governor

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