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Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs  
Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary  
5 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333-0005

Re: Judicial Branch Report on Electronic Filing for Maine Courts

Dear Committee Members:

We enclose the Judicial Branch's report on electronic filing, entitled *eFiling Maine*. We submit this report Pursuant to PL 2011 c. 380, Pt. OOOO, as amended by PL 2011, c. 477, Pt. E-1.

Balancing the need for technological advancements in the delivery of judicial services with the resource limitations that affect all of government, we have proposed a plan that we believe will put the Judicial Branch on the right track, with a solid timeframe, to transition to electronic filing over the next several biennial budget cycles. We expect to continue to refine the information in the report so that we will have reliable proposed budget numbers to be presented for the September analysis of the FY 14/15 budget.

Our new Chief Information Officer, Dave Packard, who I know will not be a stranger to some of you, begins work with the Judicial Branch today. Dave and I will be happy to make a presentation to either or both committees at your convenience. Please feel free to contact either Mary Ann Lynch or me if you need more information or wish to schedule a committee briefing.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this Report. With your interest and support, we believe we are moving toward a great improvement in public service and access to justice.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ted Glessner".

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