

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Senator Collins of Knox.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-SEVEN

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**AN ACT to Revise the Board of Bar Examiners Law.**

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

**Sec. 1. 4 MRSA § 801, 1st 2 sentences,** as last repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 770, § 14, are amended to read:

The Board of Examiners for the Examination of Applicants for Admission to the Bar, as heretofore established and hereinafter in this chapter called the "board," shall be composed of 7 ~~competent~~ lawyers of the State and one representative of the public, ~~and shall consist, as of the effective date of this Act, of the 7 lawyers who now serve as members and the one public member, heretofore appointed whose term begins September 1, 1976. As the terms of the present and future members expire, one or more members of the board shall be appointed annually by the Governor on the recommendation of the Supreme Judicial Court and each of whom shall hold office for a term of 5 years beginning on the first day of September of the year of appointment and ending on the last day of August of the year of expiration of the appointment. As terms expire lawyer members of the board shall be appointed annually by the Governor on the recommendation of the Supreme Judicial Court and the public member shall be appointed by the Governor.~~

**Sec. 2. 4 MRSA § 801, last ¶,** as last repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 770, § 14, is amended to read:

The members of the board ~~and the additional members of the board~~ shall each receive as compensation for their services ~~\$10~~ \$50 a day for the time actually spent and their necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties, to be certified by the secretary of the board.

**Sec. 3. Initial membership.** The Board of Examiners for the Examination of Applicants for Admission to the Bar shall consist, as of the effective date of this Act, of the 7 lawyers who now serve as members and the one public member heretofore appointed whose term began September 1, 1976.

#### STATE OF FACT

The intent of this bill is to revise provisions for appointment of a public member and to increase the amount of compensation of the board of examiners for the examination of applicants for admission to the bar.