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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 110TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

(Filing No. H-383)

HOUSE AMENDMENT " \mathcal{J} " to H.P. 577, L.D. 657, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to the Public Utilities Commission Officials' and Employees' Compensation.

Amend the Bill by striking out all of section 1 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 2 MRSA §6, sub-§4, last line, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 489, §1, is amended to read:

State Librarian;

General Counsel of the Public Utilities Commission;

Director of Finance of the Public Utilities Commission; and

Secretary of the Public Utilities Commission.

- Sec. 2. 2 MRSA §6, sub-§5, as amended by PL 1979, c. 579, \$1 and c. 651, \$1, and repealed and replaced by PL 1979, c. 663, \$3, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:
- 5. Range 86. The salaries of the following state officials and employees shall be within salary range 86:

Adjutant General;

Director of Labor Standards;

Deputy Chief of the State Police;

Director of State Lotteries;

State Archivist;

Director of Maine Geological Survey;

Executive Director, Land Use Regulation Commission;

Executive Director of the Maine Labor Relations Board; and

Chairman, Maine Employment Security Commission.'

Further amend the Bill by inserting after section 2 the following:

'Sec. 3. 2 MRSA §6-A, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 697, \$2, is repealed and the following enacted in its place: §6-A. Salaries of the Public Utilities commissioners

The salary of the chairman of the Public Utilities

Commission shall be the same as the salary of the Judge of
the District Court as established in Title 4, section 157.

The salary of a member of the Public Utilities Commission shall
be \$3,000 less than the salary of the chairman.

Sec. 4. Transition. The incumbents in the positions of general counsel, secretary and Director of Finance of the Public Utilities Commission on the seffective date of this Act shall be paid at Step C of Range 88.

Further amend the Bill by renumbering the sections to read consecutively.

Further amend the Bill by inserting at the end before the Statement of Fact the following:

'Fiscal Note

amendment
This / will result in an additional cost to the

Public Utilities Commission's dedicated revenue account of

\$22,499 in 1981-82 and \$29,249 in 1982-83. These costs include
a 5% increase based on increases which may be granted District
Court Judges. If the judges salaries are not increased the
above costs will be less.'

Statement of Fact

This Amendment:

- Sets the salaries of the General Counsel, Director of Finance and Secretary of the Public Utilities Commission at Yange 88;
- 2. Provides that the salary of the Chairman of the Public Utilities Commission shall be the same as the salary of a Judge of the District Court and the salary of members shall be \$3,000 less than that of the chairman;
 - 3. Corrects references in Title 2, section 6, subsection 5;
- 4. Provides a transition section for the salaries of General Counsel, Secretary and Director of Finance; and
 - 5. Adds a fiscal note.

Filed by Mr. Paradis of Augusta. Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House.