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1 SECOND REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE
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5 **Legislative Document**

No. 1725

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7 S. P. 740 Office of the Secretary of the Senate
8 Submitted by the Department of Human Services pursuant to Joint
9 Rule 24. Reference to the Committee on State Government suggested
10 and 1,400 ordered printed.

11 MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate
12 Presented by Senator Bustin of Kennebec.
13 Cosponsor: Representative Bell of Paris.
14 Representative McCollister of Canton.
15 Senator Hichens of York.
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17 STATE OF MAINE
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19 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
20 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-TWO
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22 **AN ACT to Amend the Membership of the Governor's**
23 **Advisory Council on Alcoholism and Drug**
24 **Abuse Prevention and Treatment.**
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26 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

27 **Sec. 1.** 22 MRSA §7108, 3rd ¶, as amended by PL 1977,
28 c. 253, §2, is further amended to read:

29 Membership shall include representatives of nongovern-
30 mental organizations or groups and of public agencies con-
31 cerned with prevention and treatment of alcoholism, alcohol
32 abuse, drug abuse and drug dependence. At least 2 members
33 of the council shall be current members of the Legislature,

1 consisting of one Member from the House of Representatives
2 appointed by the Speaker of the House to serve at his pleas-
3 ure and one Member from the Senate appointed by the Presi-
4 dent of the Senate to serve at his pleasure. ~~Two of the~~
5 ~~private citizen members shall be between the ages of 16- and~~
6 ~~21.~~ At least 3 members shall be paid officials of public or
7 private nonprofit community level agencies who are actively
8 engaged in drug abuse prevention or treatment in public or
9 private nonprofit community agencies. Membership may also
10 include, but not be limited to, representatives of profes-
11 sions such as law, law enforcement, medicine, pharmacy and
12 teaching. Appointments to the council shall be made so as
13 to insure that at least 6 members shall be persons recovered
14 from alcoholism, chronic intoxication, drug abuse or drug
15 dependency, having evidenced a minimum of 3 years of
16 sobriety or abstention from drug abuse. The chairman of
17 each alcohol and drug abuse regional council shall be a
18 member, and his term shall be coterminous with his term as
19 regional council chairman. The President of the National
20 Council on Alcoholism in Maine shall be a member of the
21 council, and his term shall be coterminous with his term as
22 President of the National Council on Alcoholism in Maine.

23 Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §7108, 4th ¶, as enacted by PL 1973,
24 c. 566, §1, is amended to read:

25 Members shall be appointed for a term of 3 years,
26 except that of the members first appointed, ~~5~~ 3 shall be
27 appointed for a term of 3 years, ~~5~~ 3 shall be appointed for
28 a term of 2 years and ~~5~~ 3 shall be appointed for a term of
29 one year, as designated by the Governor at the time of
30 appointment; except that any member appointed to fill a
31 vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for
32 which his predecessor was appointed shall be appointed only
33 for the remainder of such term; ~~and~~ except that members who
34 are Members of the current Legislature and who are
35 appointed by the President of the Senate or the Speaker of
36 the House shall serve at their pleasure; ~~and,~~ except that
37 members who are chairmen of regional councils or the Presi-
38 dent of the National Council on Alcoholism in Maine shall
39 have terms coterminous with their terms as regional council
40 chairmen or as President of the National Council on Alcohol-
41 ism in Maine. Any vacancy in the council shall not affect
42 its powers, but shall be filled in the same manner by which
43 the original appointment was made.

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Statement of Fact

2 This bill adds to the membership of the Governor's
3 Advisory Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Prevention and
4 Treatment the presidents of the regional councils and the
5 President of the National Council on Alcoholism in Maine.