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NO. 2355

H.P. 1716 House of Representatives, February 25, 1988 Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk Presented by Representative PARADIS of Augusta. Cosponsored by Representative MacBRIDE of Presque Isle, Senators BRANNIGAN of Cumberland and BLACK of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-EIGHT

AN ACT to Require Legislative Confirmation of Members of the Maine Human Rights Commission.

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §4561, as repealed and replaced by PL 1983, c. 812, §32, is amended to read:

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1 §4561. Members

The Maine Human Rights Commission, established by 2 section 12004, subsection 8, shall be an independent 3 commission of no more than 5 members. No more than 3 4 of the members shall be of the same political party. The members shall be appointed by the Governor, who 5 6 7 subject to review by the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over judiciary and 8 confirmation by the Legislature. The Governor shall 9 10 designate one member to be its the chairman.

11 Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §4564, as amended by PL 1983, c. 12 812, §33, is further amended to read:

13 §4564. Compensation; reappointment

Each member of the commission shall be compensated as provided in chapter 379. All members of the commission shall be eligible for reappointment <u>subject</u> to section 4561.

18 Sec. 3. Application. Each member of the Maine 19 Human Rights Commission serving on the effective date 20 of this Act shall serve the remainder of the term for 21 which that member was appointed. All appointments 22 made on or after the effective date of this Act are 23 subject to this Act.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill provides that all appointments to the Maine Human Rights Commission, after the effective date of the bill, are subject to review by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary and confirmation by the Legislature.

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