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S.P. 283

In Senate, February 10, 1993

An Act to Ensure the Timely Resolution of Complaints under the Maine Human Rights Act.

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

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JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by President DUTREMBLE of York. Cosponsored by Senator McCORMICK of Kennebec, Representative PARADIS of Augusta and Senator: TITCOMB of Cumberland, Representative: FARNSWORTH of Hallowell.

_	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2 4	Sec. 1. 13-A MRSA §1401, sub-§30, as amended by PL 1989, c. 501, Pt. L, §27, is further amended to read:
6	30. Annual report of a domestic or foreign corporation, as provided by section 1301, \$69 \$65;
8	Sec. 2. 13-A MRSA, §1404, as amended by PL 1991, c. 465, §24,
10	is further amended to read:
12	§1404. Remittance to Treasurer of State
. 14	All fees collected as provided by this chapter must be remitted to the Treasurer of State for the use of the State with
16	the exception of those fees collected under section 1403-A and, section 1406 and section 1407.
18 20	Sec. 3. 13-A MRSA §1407 is enacted to read:
22	§1407. Funding for Maine Human Rights Commission
24	Notwithstanding section 1404, the Treasurer of State shall credit \$5 of the annual \$65 fee assessed under section 1401, subsection 30 to the Maine Human Rights Commission to carry out
26	the commission's duties pursuant to Title 5, section 4566, subsection 3.
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30	Sec. 4. Allocation. The following funds are allocated from Other Special Revenue funds to carry out the purposes of this Act.
32	1993-94 1994-95
34	HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION, MAINE
36	Maine Human Rights Commission
38	Positions (3.0) (3.0) Personal Services \$94,505 \$103,104
40 ·	All Other 38,995 30,396
42	Provides funds for one Staff Attorney position, one Field
44	Investigator position, one Clerk Typist II position and
46	related operating expenses.
48	MAINE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSIONTOTAL\$133,500
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Sec. 5. Effective date. Sections 1, 2 and 3 take effect January 1, 1994.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill increases the \$60 annual filing fee for corporations by \$5 to help fund additional personnel to enhance the ability of the Maine Human Rights Commission to resolve discrimination complaints in a more timely fashion and to reduce the backlog of unresolved cases.

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