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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1565, L.D. 2198, Bill, "An Act to Implement the Recommendations Relating to the Review of the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation's Office of the Commissioner, Office of Consumer Credit Regulation and Office of Licensing and Registration under the State Government Evaluation Act"

Amend the bill in Part A by inserting before section 1 the following:

'Sec. A-1.3 MRSA §160 is enacted to read:

§160. Confirmation of Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, confirmation of the Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation must be made in accordance with the provisions of Title 10, section 8002.'

Further amend the bill in Part A in section 3 by striking out all of the paragraph (page 1, lines 31 to 43 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'The commissioner is the chief administrative officer of the department and is responsible for supervising the administration of the department. The commissioner is appointed by the Governor, ~~subject to review by the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over business and economic development matters,~~ a joint select committee consisting of 10 members, 3 of whom are appointed by the President of the Senate and 7 of whom are appointed by the Speaker of the House, and to confirmation by the Legislature. Of the 3 members appointed by the President of the Senate, at least one member must be from the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction

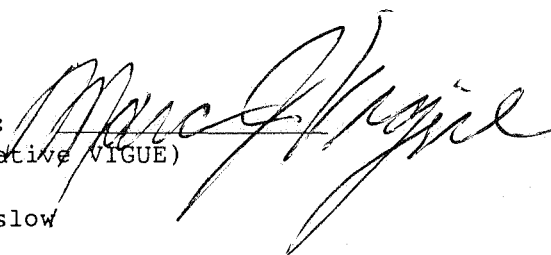
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over banking and insurance matters, at least one member must be from the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over business and economic development matters and one member must be from the minority party in the Senate. Of the 7 members appointed by the Speaker of the House, at least 3 members must be from the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over banking and insurance matters, at least 3 members must be from the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over business and economic development matters and at least 2 members must be from the minority party in the House. The commissioner serves at the pleasure of the Governor. As chief administrative officer of the department, the commissioner has the following duties and authority to:

Further amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment clarifies the composition of the joint select committee reviewing the appointment of the Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation.

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