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**§ 201. Commission on Interstate Cooperation**

The Maine Commission on Interstate Cooperation, as heretofore established, shall be composed of 9 regular members; namely, 3 state officials to be appointed by the Governor, 3 members of the Senate to be appointed by the President of the Senate and 3 members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Governor, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall be ex officio members of the commission.

R.S.1954, c. 10, § 28.

**§ 202. Tenure of office**

The members appointed by the Governor shall hold office as members of the commission so long as they shall continue to hold the respective state offices by virtue of which they shall have been appointed. The members appointed from the Senate shall hold office as members of the commission so long as they shall continue without interruption to be members of the Senate and the members appointed from the House of Representatives shall continue to hold office as members of the commission so long as they shall continue without interruption to be members of the House of Representatives.

R.S.1954, c. 10, § 29.

**§ 203. Organization and procedure**

The commission shall organize by the choice of one of its members to be its chairman and of one of its members to be its secretary. The commission may enact such rules governing its

procedure and the conduct of its affairs not inconsistent with law as it may see fit.

R.S.1954, c. 10, § 30.

### § 204. Functions of commission

It shall be the function of the commission:

**1. Council of State Governments.** To carry forward the participation of this State as a member of the Council of State Governments;

**2. Contacts.** To encourage and assist the legislative, executive, administrative and judicial officials and employees of this State to develop and maintain friendly contact by correspondence, by conference and otherwise, with officials and employees of the other states, of the Federal Government and of local units of government;

**3. Cooperation with other units of government.** To endeavor to advance cooperation between this State and other units of government whenever it seems advisable to do so by formulating proposals for, and by facilitating:

- A.** The enactment of uniform or reciprocal statutes,
- B.** The adoption of uniform or reciprocal administrative rules and regulations,
- C.** The informal cooperation of governmental offices with one another,
- D.** The personal cooperation of governmental officials and employees with one another, individually,
- E.** The interchange and clearance of research and information, and
- F.** Any other suitable process;

**4. More perfect union with other units of government.** In short, to do all such acts as will, in the opinion of the commission, enable this State to do its part in forming a more perfect union among the various governments in the United States and in developing the Council of State Governments for that purpose.

R.S.1954, c. 10, § 31.

### § 205. Committees

The commission shall have power to establish such delegations and committees as it deems advisable, whose members may

or may not be made up from the members of the commission, from state officials or from private citizens, such delegations or committees to be charged with the duty of conferring and formulating proposals concerning effective means to secure interstate harmony and of performing such other functions for the commission as it may from time to time require.

R.S.1954, c. 10, § 32.

**§ 206. Reports; service without compensation**

The commission shall report to the Governor within 15 days after the convening of each regular legislative session, which report shall be transmitted by the Governor to the Legislature, and it may report to the Governor at such other times as it deems appropriate. Its members and the members of all delegations and committees which it establishes shall serve without compensation for such service.

R.S.1954, c. 10, § 33.

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COMMISSION ON UNIFORM STATE LAWS

Sec.

241. Organization and duties.

**§ 241. Organization and duties**

The Commission on Uniform State Laws, as heretofore established, shall consist of 3 members to be appointed for a term of 4 years by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council. The commission shall examine subjects on which uniformity of legislation in the different states is desirable; ascertain the best means to effect uniformity; cooperate with the commissioners of other states in the consideration and drafting of uniform acts for submission to the Legislatures of the several states; and prepare bills for introduction in the Legislature.

Each commissioner shall serve without compensation, but shall be entitled to receive his actual disbursements for his expenses in performing the duties of his office.

1955, c. 405, § 3.