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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF MAINE  
AUGUSTA

Executive Order 5-69

Maine Law Enforcement Planning and Assistance Agency

WHEREAS, The Governor's Planning Committee on Criminal Administration was formed in June of 1966 to consider the recommendations of the President's Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Justice and to review law enforcement needs in Maine; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's Planning Committee on Criminal Administration submitted its report to Governor Reed and Governor-elect Curtis December 13, 1966 and recommended that the Committee be discharged and the Committee's recommendation that it be replaced with a similar permanent statutory agency was not enacted into law; and

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States enacted in June, 1968 the "Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968" (Public Law 90-351); and

WHEREAS, the Enforcement Assistance Administration created by that legislation (Sec. 101) "...shall make grants to the States for the establishment and operation of State law enforcement planning agencies..." (Sec. 202); and

WHEREAS, under Sec. 203 this new legislation sets forth that such agency shall be created or designated by the chief executive of the State and shall be subject to his jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, there is not now an agency established in Maine which meets the standards of membership set forth in the act and accompanying guidelines from the recently appointed Enforcement Assistance Administration; and

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States has also enacted The Juvenile Delinquency Prevention and Control Act of 1968 (Public Law 90-445) which also envisions similar planning grants to the State; and

WHEREAS, there is not an agency established in Maine which meets the standards of that legislation:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KENNETH M. CURTIS, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby order and direct that the MAINE LAW ENFORCEMENT PLANNING AND ASSISTANCE AGENCY shall be and it hereby is created and established and it is further ORDERED AND DIRECTED as follows:

EXECUTIVE ORDER 5-69 (Cont'd.)

1. The Maine Law Enforcement Planning and Assistance Agency is hereby designated as the "State Planning Agency" within the meaning of Title I of Public Law 90-351 to carry out the duties and responsibilities specified therein; to carry out any duties and responsibilities imposed upon a state planning agency by virtue of Public Law 90-445 to carry out such other duties as may be assigned to it by the Governor from time to time.

2. The Agency shall be composed of no less than 12 and no more than 30 members of whom the following shall serve ex officio:

1. Attorney General
2. Chief, State Police
3. Director, Bureau of Corrections, Department of Mental Health and Corrections

The remaining members shall include representation of units of general local government by elected policy-making, or executive officials and law enforcement representatives which shall include both local police and sheriffs; representation of major law enforcement functions; juvenile delinquency; the community generally and offer to the degree possible reasonable geographical and urban-rural balance. Members shall be appointed by the Governor to one or two year terms or ex officio if appropriate and those appointed for a term of years shall be ineligible to succeed themselves more than once. The Chairman shall be designated by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

3. Members shall receive their actual expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties.

4. The Agency shall meet at the call of the Governor, the Chairman, the Executive Director or upon petition of any 6 members.

5. Members shall be ineligible to vote on grants to local governments for planning or action if they represent or are employed by the potential grantee.

6. The Agency shall employ such staff including a Director who shall be full-time as may be necessary to carry out their duties; such staff shall be unclassified.

7. Until modified by further executive order or legislation, the responsibility for securing and administering the funds, federal and state, for this function shall be assigned to the Executive Department, State Planning Office.

s/Kenneth M. Curtis  
Governor  
November 8, 1968