

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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OFFICE OF  
THE GOVERNOR

NO. 6 FY 74-75  
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GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
ON COASTAL DEVELOPMENT AND CONSERVATION

WHEREAS, THERE EXIST IN MAINE many problems related to the coast and coastal development, including oil exploration on the Outer Continental Shelf,

WHEREAS, the federal government is proceeding rapidly with development programs for oil resources of the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS); and

WHEREAS, the Department of the Interior leasing schedule calls for nominations of leasing tracts in the near future; and

WHEREAS, proposals for baseline environmental studies are imminent; and

WHEREAS, the exploration and development of the resources of the Outer Continental Shelf will have significant impact on a wide variety of Maine and regional interests; and

WHEREAS, the construction and use of OCS-related shoreside facilities will profoundly affect Maine citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JAMES B. LONGLEY, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby establish the Governor's Advisory Committee on Coastal Development and Conservation to include:

A Chairman to be appointed by the Governor

The Commissioner of the Department of Conservation

The Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection

The Commissioner of the Department of Marine Resources

The Commissioner of the Department of Commerce and Industry

The Commissioner of the Department of Business Regulation

The Director of the State Planning Office

The Attorney General

The Senate Member of the Marine Resources Commission

The House Member of the Marine Resources Commission

Because of the immediate nature of the problems relating to the Outer Continental Shelf, this area shall be given first priority by the Committee.


The Committee shall recommend to the Governor a policy for the State of Maine in matters related to the Outer Continental Shelf, as follows:

1. The establishment of relevant state and international territorial boundaries.
2. The impact of onshore OCS-related facilities on Maine citizens.
3. Equitable standards of sharing revenue derived from OCS developments.
4. Recommendations for regulations for the protection of environmental and natural resources values.
5. Recommendations for such business and financial regulations as may be necessary.
6. Such other matters as may be appropriate to protect the interests of the State of Maine.

The Committee shall be a Standing Committee, carrying on its designated functions for the duration of the period of development and extraction of OCS petroleum and mineral resources.

The Committee is empowered to employ such staff as may be necessary to accomplish its responsibilities subject to the approval of the Governor.

There is hereby transferred to the Committee the sum of \$40,000 from the State Planning Office for one year to aid the Committee in performing its assigned functions.

  
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JAMES B. LONGLEY  
Governor of Maine