

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ONE - HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 652**

H. P. 452

House of Representatives, January 24, 1961

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mrs. Kilroy of Portland.

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## STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-ONE

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### **AN ACT Reactivating the State Committee on Children and Youth.**

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

**Sec. 1. State Committee on Children and Youth, reactivated.** The Governor shall appoint a committee of 20 members consisting of one each from the House of Representatives, the Senate, the Departments of Education, Health and Welfare, Mental Health and Corrections and 15 representative citizens, 2 of whom shall be youths. The Governor shall designate the chairman.

**Sec. 2. Duties of the committee.** The Maine Committee on Children and Youth shall study the recommendations of the 1960 White House Conference on Children and Youth. It shall study the needs of, and services to, children and youth throughout the State and shall serve as a clearing house of information with respect to these needs and services. On the basis of knowledge so gained and documented, it shall suggest, recommend and promote the well-being of children, using such means, among others, as promotion of needed legislation and appropriations, strengthening of public administration and personnel resources and closer correlation among all governmental, voluntary agencies and citizen groups serving children and youth.

It shall provide a means for youth to express themselves and present their opinions to our legislative body.

It shall provide leadership and consultant service to area committees on children and youth in the development of area programs.

**Sec. 3. Authority to appoint executive secretary and appoint subcommittees.** The Maine Committee on Children and Youth shall have the authority to appoint

an executive secretary with proper qualifications, and to organize such subcommittees as needed to carry out its duties.

**Sec. 4. Time of meetings and expenses.** The committee shall meet at the place designated by and at the call of the chairman not less than 8 times each biennium. The members of the committee or authorized subcommittees shall be paid necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

**Sec. 5. Report.** It shall report to the Governor and the 101st Legislature no later than January 2, 1963.

**Sec. 6. Appropriation.** There is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund the sum of \$15,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1962 and \$15,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1963. Any unexpended balances shall not lapse until June 30, 1963.