

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST LEGISLATURE

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Referred to the Committee on Labor, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Bragdon of Perham.

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## STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-THREE

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### **AN ACT Revising Laws Relating to Panel of Mediators.**

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 30, § 11, amended.** Section 11 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 468 of the public laws of 1955, is further amended to read as follows :

**Sec. 11. Panel of Mediators.** A Panel of Mediators, as heretofore established, shall consist of 5 impartial members appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council, from time to time upon the expiration of the terms of the several members, for terms of 3 years. One member of the panel shall be appointed chairman thereof by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council. Vacancies occurring during a term shall be filled for the unexpired term. Members of the panel shall each receive \$25 a day for their services, for the time actually employed in the discharge of their official duties and shall also receive their traveling and all other necessary expenses. ~~Neither the commissioner nor any official of the Department of Labor and Industry nor any member of the Board of Arbitration and Conciliation shall be eligible to serve as a member of the panel nor have any jurisdiction or authority over the panel in the performance of its duties.~~ The chairman of the panel shall annually, on or before the first day of July, make a report to the Governor and Council, which shall be incorporated in and printed with the biennial report of the Department of Labor and Industry. The appropriation for the panel shall be included in the Department of Labor and Industry's budget and authorization for expenditures shall be the responsibility of the Commissioner of Labor and Industry.'

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 30, § 12, amended.** Section 12 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

**‘Sec. 12. Mediation procedure; duties.** The chairman of the panel, upon request of one or both of the parties to a dispute between an employer and his employees, shall, or upon request of the **Commissioner of Labor and Industry, or upon** his own motion may, proffer the services of one or more members of the panel to be selected by the chairman, to serve as a mediator or mediators in such a dispute. The member or members so selected shall exert every reasonable effort to encourage the parties to the dispute to settle their differences by conference or other peaceful means.’