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Legislative Document

No. 190

S. P. 83
Referred to Committee on State Government. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Whittaker of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-THREE

AN ACT Providing for a Continuance of the Constitutional Commission.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the 100th Legislature created a Constitutional Commission to study and report to the Legislature such changes and amendments to the Constitution of the State as seemed necessary or desirable; and

Whereas, the study is partially done and additional time and money are needed for the commission to complete its work; and

Whereas, the comprehensive study undertaken by the commission is vital to the best interest of the people and the government of this State and should be continued to provide the complete and thorough review of the document contemplated under the original act; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

- Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1961, c. 212, § 2, amended. Section 2 of chapter 212 of the private and special laws of 1961 is amended to read as follows:
- 'Sec. 2. Report. The commission shall report to the next regular session of the Legislature and to the regular session of the round Legislature such changes and amendments to the Constitution of the State as may appear to be necessary or desirable. For this purpose the commission may employ such technical and clerical assistance as it may deem necessary.'

- Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1961, c. 212, § 3, amended. Section 3 of chapter 212 of the private and special laws of 1961 is amended to read as follows:
- 'Sec. 3. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund the sum of \$10,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1962 to earry out the purposes of this act. Such appropriation shall not lapse, but shall remain a continuing earrying account until June 30, 1963 \$20,000 for the expenses and operation of the commission. Any unexpended balance shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account until June 30, 1965. It is the intent of this amendment to increase the original appropriation of \$10,000 by an additional \$10,000.'

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.