

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 510

S. P. 200

In Senate, January 23, 1963

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Campbell of Kennebec.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-THREE

AN ACT Directing a Study and Pilot Program of Property Tax Administration.

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

Sec. 1. Study of property tax administration. The State Tax Assessor is directed to make a study of the administration of the property tax in this State, including administration at both state and local levels, and the relationship between the State Bureau of Taxation and local assessing officers; and to report to the 102nd Legislature the results of such study, together with recommendations for improvement in the administration of such taxes and for amendments and additions to existing statutes intended to facilitate such improvement in administration.

The State Tax Assessor is authorized to employ such technical and clerical assistance as may be necessary to conduct such study, and to appoint an advisory committee of not more than 12 persons to assist in such study.

The State Tax Assessor is authorized and empowered to establish a pilot program involving 2 or more municipalities for the purpose of testing proposed administrative procedures. A municipality may be chosen to participate at the request of its municipal officers.

The members of such advisory committee shall serve without pay; but they shall be entitled to reimbursement for necessary expenses incurred in attending meetings called by the State Tax Assessor.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is appropriated to the Bureau of Taxation from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund the sum of \$50,000 to carry out the purposes of this act. Said sum shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account until June 30, 1965.