

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 101st LEGISLATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" to S. P. 384, L. D. 1087, Bill, "An Act Continuing the Committee on Aging."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of the emergency preamble.

Further amend said Bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 1. Committee on Aging created. The Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council, shall appoint a Committee on Aging of 13 members. The Governor shall designate the chairman. All members shall serve until their successors are appointed and qualified. The various state departments shall assist the committee in the furtherance of its duties.

Sec. 2. Duties. The Committee on Aging shall base its activities and fields of interests on the findings of the White House Conference.

It shall continue the study of the problems of Maine's aging population and shall provide leadership and stimulation at the state level in developing solutions for these problems.

It shall assist in organizing local committees on aging.

The committee is authorized to employ with the Maine Committee on Children and Youth, under the Personnel Law, such staff as may be necessary to carry out its duties and activities. Such staff shall act as the staff for this committee and the Committee on Children and Youth. Costs and services of such staff shall be shared equally between the committees.

The committee is authorized to appoint subcommittees.

The committee is authorized to employ consultants and to contract for such projects as it deems necessary.

Sec. 3. Meetings; expenses. Said committee shall meet at the call of the chairman, and not less than 6 times during the biennium. The members shall be paid necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

Sec. 4. Federal grants. The Treasurer of State shall be the appropriate fiscal officer of the State to receive federal grants on account of administration of said committee and the State Controller shall authorize expenditures therefrom as approved by the committee.

Sec. 5. Activities. During the biennium the committee shall direct itself toward the holding of a state conference for the purpose of developing facts and recommendations and preparing a report of the findings for presentation to the Governor and the 102nd Legislature no later than January 2, 1965.

Said committee shall publish a directory of services available for older people. It shall continue to publish a newsletter periodically.

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The committee shall continue to serve as a clearing house for information regarding problems of the aging.

Sec. 6. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund the sum of \$3,750 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1964 and the sum of \$5,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1965, to carry out the purposes of this act.'

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