

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ONE HUNDRED AND SECOND LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

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H. P. 254

House of Representatives, January 19, 1965

Referred to Committee on State Government. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

JEROME G. PLANTE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Roy of Winslow.

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## STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-FIVE

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### AN ACT Relating to Definition of Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agent.

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., T. 3, § 314, repealed and replaced.** Section 314 of Title 3 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof.

**‘Sec. 314. Legislative counsel and legislative agent, defined.** The terms “legislative counsel” and “legislative agent” as used in this chapter shall be construed to mean any person who for compensation appears at any public hearing before committees of the Legislature in regard to proposed legislation. It shall be unlawful for such legislative counsel or legislative agent to communicate with or approach any individual Members of the Legislature, other than at duly called sessions of the Legislature or its various committees, with the intent, in any manner, directly or indirectly, to influence their action upon proposed legislation.’

**Sec. 2. R. S., T. 3, § 316, amended.** Section 316 of Title 3 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows :

**‘Sec. 316. Penalties.** Whoever violates any provision of this chapter shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 and the name or names of such legislative counsel or legislative agent shall be stricken from the registration docket, and the Attorney General shall cause prosecutions to be instituted for the violation of any of the provisions of said chapter. Any person, firm or corporation who shall falsely enter upon the docket the name or names of any person or firm as his or their legislative counsel or legislative agent shall be punished by a fine of \$100 and shall be answerable in damages to the person or firm whose name or names has been so falsely entered.’