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ONE HUNDRED AND SECOND LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 327

H. P. 257 House of Representatives, January 19, 1965 Referred to Committee on Taxation. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

JEROME G. PLANTE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Cottrell of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE

AN ACT Directing an Improvement of Property Tax Administration.

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

Sec. 1. Improvement of property tax administration. The State Tax Assessor is directed to make a review 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 103rd Legislature the results of such review, 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 review acting jointly with the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House shall appoint an advisory committee of not more than 15 persons to assist in such review.

The members of such advisory committee shall organize by electing a chairman and vice chairman, and 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, 1967.