

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Presented by Mr. Bradstreet of Newport.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-FIVE

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AN ACT Providing for a State Government Information Bureau.

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., T. 5, c. 17, additional.** Title 5 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new chapter 17, to read as follows:

**'CHAPTER 17**

**STATE GOVERNMENT INFORMATION BUREAU**

**§ 381. Purpose**

The complexities of modern state government require the utilization of many departments and agencies in handling its diverse affairs. It is important that information concerning state government functions and procedures should be readily available to the citizens of the State in order to facilitate their effective and efficient contact with the appropriate state agency.

**§ 382. State Government Information Bureau**

There is established in the office of the Secretary of State a bureau which shall be known as the State Government Information Bureau. The bureau shall be under the supervision of the Secretary of State who shall employ, subject to the Personnel Law, such personnel as may be necessary to carry out this chapter. The bureau shall assist any person requesting information concerning the government of the State by providing him with such impartial and accurate information as may be reasonably available to the bureau.

**Sec. 2. Appropriation.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Secretary of State the sum of \$4,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1966 and the sum of \$8,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1967 to carry out the purposes of this Act.