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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-SIX

AN ACT Creating a Senatorial Apportionment Commission.

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

Sec. 1. Senatorial Apportionment Commission. There is created a Senatorial Apportionment Commission to administer this Act. The commission shall consist of 9 members, viz.: The Speaker and Minority Floor Leader of the House of Representatives, the President and Minority Floor Leader of the Senate, one member each from the Department of History and Government at Colby College, Bates College, Bowdoin College and the University of Maine, appointed by the President of the respective colleges and the Dean of the University of Maine, School of Law who shall serve as chairman.

The commission shall meet as often as necessary, at such times and places as the chairman may designate. Any 5 members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of the commission. The members of the commission shall serve without pay but shall be reimbursed for actual expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

Sec. 2. Duties of the commission. The commission shall formulate plans and proposals for apportioning the Senate according to the rule of apportionment established in the Constitution of the State of Maine and submit a report no later than January 15, 1967 of such plans and proposals to the 103rd Legislature.

Sec. 3. Termination of functions. When the Senatorial Apportionment Commission shall have performed all its duties prescribed in this Act, the

powers and duties of the commission shall terminate, and said Senatorial Apportionment Commission shall be dissolved and cease to exist.

Sec. 4. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund the sum of \$2,000 to the Senatorial Apportionment Commission to carry out the purposes of this Act; this appropriation shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account until the purposes of this Act have been completed.