

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, January 23, 1969

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

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Soulas of Bangor.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-NINE

AN ACT Eliminating Boards of Visitors for State Institutions and Creating Committee on Corrections.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 34, § 41, repealed. Section 41 of Title 34 of the Revised Statutes is repealed, as follows:

~~§ 41. Membership; rights and recommendations~~

~~A board of 5 visitors, as heretofore established, at least 2 of whom shall be members of the minority party, may be appointed by the Governor, in connection with each state institution under the department. These visitors shall be appointed for a term of one year and shall be eligible for reappointment. No member of the Legislature or the Governor's Council shall serve on any Board of Visitors. The members of the Boards of Visitors shall receive no compensation. Each Board of Visitors shall have the right to inspect the institution to which it is assigned and to make recommendations relative to the management of said institution to the commissioner.~~

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 34, § 528, additional. Title 34 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 528, to read as follows:

§ 528. Advisory committee; duties

The Governor shall appoint a Committee on Corrections to consist of 9 members and appoint the chairman. Of the first appointments 3 shall be appointed for one year, 3 for 2 years and 3 for 3 years. Thereafter appointments shall be made for 3 years. The committee shall be composed of members whose chief employment is outside of State Government.

The duties shall be to assist in carrying out the purposes of the Bureau of Corrections.