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JERROLD B. SPEERS, Secretary

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to the Employment of the Handicapped.

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

R. S., T. 26, c. 13, sub-c IX, additional. Chapter 13 of Title 26 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new subchapter IX, to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER IX

EMPLOYMENT OF THE HANDICAPPED

§ 1261. Legal identity

The commission shall carry on a continuing program to promote the employment of Maine citizens with physical or mental limitations.

§ 1262. Primary duties

The commission shall:

1. Continuing program. Carry on a continuing program to promote the employment of handicapped persons.
2. Cooperation with President's Committee. Work in cooperation with the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped.
3. Employers and agencies. Cooperate with all employers and with all public agencies, including the Maine Employment Security Commission and the Department of Education, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, or

private agencies or organizations interested in locating or developing employment opportunities for those with either physical or mental limitations.

4. Rehabilitation. Cooperate with all agencies responsible for or interested in the rehabilitation and employment placement of the handicapped.

5. Community level. Encourage or assist, or both, in the organization of committees at the community level and work closely with such committees in promoting programs in their respective areas.

6. Educational programs. Conduct such educational programs as committee members consider necessary in order to better acquaint young adults with the numerous accomplishments of handicapped citizens.

7. Employer acceptance. Develop a program focused on greater employer acceptance of qualified handicapped workers.

8. Information. Inform all known handicapped job seekers of specific facilities available to assist them in locating suitable employment.

9. Promote programs. Support and promote any federal, state or local programs designed to make more public buildings accessible to and usable by persons with physical limitations.

10. Reports. Report annually to the Governor on its activities; and submit any recommendations believed necessary in carrying out the purpose of this subchapter.

§ 1263. Authorization

The commission is authorized to receive any gifts, grants or donations made for any of the purposes of its program and to disburse and administer the same in accordance with the terms thereof.

§ 1264. Appropriation

The appropriation for the implementation of this subchapter shall be provided from supplemental funds as recommended by the Executive Department.