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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
AND SEVENTY

AN ACT Establishing a Consumer's Council.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 10, c. 212, additional. Title 10 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new chapter 212, to read as follows:

CHAPTER 212

CONSUMERS' COUNCIL

§ 1361. Membership; duties; public hearings

There shall be a Consumers' Council hereinafter in this section called "the council" consisting of 8 members to be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, for terms concurrent with that of the Governor, not more than 5 of whom shall be members of the same major political party. The chairman of the council shall be designated by the Governor from time to time, said members shall serve without compensation, but shall receive their expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of their duties. The council shall meet at the call of the chairman for the purpose of coordinating consumer services carried out by the various departments and agencies and for the purpose of furthering consumer education, the council may conduct appropriate studies and shall report recommendations resulting therefrom to the executive and legislative branches. To carry out the purposes of the council enumerated above, the council may hold public hearings as may be necessary.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund the sum of \$22,475 to carry out the purposes of this Act. The breakdown shall be as follows:

| | | 1970-71 |
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| CONSUMERS' COUNCIL | | |
| Personal Services | (2) | \$16,500 |
| All Other | | 5,200 |
| Capital Expenditures | | 775 |
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| | | \$22,475 |