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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 1320

H. P. 1003

House of Representatives, March 6, 1973

On motion of Mr. Dyar of Strong, referred to the Committee on health and Institutional Services. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Santoro of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-THREE

**AN ACT to Establish a State Hospital Training and
Development Center Advisory Board.**

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

R. S., T. 34, § 11, additional. Title 34 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 11, to read as follows:

§ 11. Advisory board

There shall be a State Hospital Training and Development Center Advisory Board, the function of which shall be to advise the Commissioner of Mental Health and Corrections and the Director of Mental Health in their administration, general supervision, management and control of the research and planning, grounds, buildings and property, officers and employees, and patients and inmates of all of the following state institutions: The hospitals for the mentally ill, Pineland Hospital and Training Center, the Military and Naval Children's Home and such other charitable and state institutions for mental or physical health as may be created from time to time. The board shall consist of 15 persons: Five members shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council to represent consumers at large for 6-year terms; 7 members, but no more than 7 members, shall be appointed from among the members of the following associations for 6-year terms: The Maine Medical Association, the Maine Bar Association, Maine Nursing Association, Maine Hospital Association, Osteopathic Association, Maine Psychological Association and Maine Psychiatric Society; one member of the Senate to be appointed by the President of the Senate for a 2-year term; 2 members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House for a 2-year term. Except for the legislative members the first

board shall be appointed for the following terms: Consumer members, one for one year, one for 2 years, one for 3 years, one for 4 years and one for 5 years; association members, Maine Bar one year, Maine Nurses 2 years, Maine Hospital 3 years, Maine Osteopathics 4 years, Maine Psychologists 5 years and the remaining association members for 6 years. Their successors shall be appointed for terms of 6 years. Each advisor shall serve for the term of his appointment and thereafter until his successor is appointed and qualified. In case of the termination of an advisor's service during his term, the Governor shall appoint a successor for the unexpired term. Advisors shall serve without compensation, but shall receive their necessary expenses.

STATEMENT OF FACT

It is the intent of this Act to provide a State Hospital Training and Development Center Advisory Board to provide a broader range of skills and experiences in a nonpartisan sensitive manner in answering the needs and responsibilities of residents, clients and patients of the State and to effectively and economically coordinate such services and facilities in the best interests of the State.