

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, January 2, 1974

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

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Birt of East Millinocket.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FOUR

**AN ACT Relating to Membership on Maine State American Revolution
Bicentennial Commission.**

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, by chapter 158 of the private and special laws of 1971, the Legislature created the Maine State American Revolution Bicentennial Commission to arrange for the observance of the bicentennial of the American Revolution; and

Whereas, the following legislation is vitally necessary to change the membership of said commission so that it may function with dispatch and efficiency; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

P. & S. L., 1971, c. 158, § 1, amended. The first paragraph of section 1 of chapter 158 of the private and special laws of 1971, is amended to read as follows:

There is established the Maine State American Revolution Bicentennial Commission for the observance and celebration of the 200th anniversary of

the American Revolution, to consist of 20 commissioners, 3 of whom shall be the President of the Senate **and** the Speaker of the House ~~and the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court~~ or commissioners appointed by them to serve for them on the commission, 5 of whom shall be the State Historian, the State Librarian, the State Museum Director ~~the State Archivist~~ and the Director of the State Commission on Arts and Humanities, and ~~12~~ 14 commissioners qualified by active participation in business, cultural, historical or municipal affairs, who shall be appointed by the Governor.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is reflected in the emergency preamble.