

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Document

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S. P. 893

In Senate, February 7, 1974

Referred to the Committee on Labor. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Marcotte of York.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-FOUR

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AN ACT to Eliminate the Advisory Council of the Employment Security  
Commission.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 26, § 1082, sub-§ 5, repealed and replaced. Subsection 5 of section 1082 of Title 26 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 7 of chapter 381 of the public laws of 1965 and by section 9 of chapter 620 of the public laws of 1971, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

5. **Advisory board.** The Manpower Affairs Advisory Board as established and constituted in subsection 6 shall meet at least bi-monthly and shall aid the commission in formulating policies and discussing problems related to the administration of this chapter and in assuring impartiality and freedom from political influences in the solution of such problems. The advisory board may also make recommendations to the Legislature for such changes in this chapter as in their opinion will aid in accomplishing the objectives of this chapter. Each member of the advisory board shall be compensated in the amount of \$20 for each day in attendance upon a meeting of the board in addition to reimbursement for any necessary expenses.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 26, § 1082, sub-§ 6, amended. Subsection 6 of section 1082 of Title 26 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 10 of chapter 620 of the public laws of 1971, is further amended to read as follows:

6. **Employment stabilization.** The Commissioner of Manpower Affairs, with the advice and aid of ~~such advisory council as he may appoint~~ the Manpower Affairs Advisory Board, may take all appropriate steps to reduce and

prevent unemployment; to encourage and assist in the adoption of practical methods of vocational training, retraining and vocational guidance; to investigate, recommend, advise and assist in the establishment and operation, by municipalities, counties, school districts and the State, of reserves for public works to be used in times of business depression and unemployment; to promote the reemployment of unemployed workers throughout the State in every other way that may be feasible; and to these ends to carry on and publish the results of investigations and research studies.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

Recommendation #5, Department of Manpower Affairs, of the Management and Cost Survey Report proposes to eliminate the advisory council of the State Employment Security Commission. However, since such an advisory council is a Federal requirement, it is the strong opinion of the Governor, as expressed in his special message to the 106th Legislature on January 10th, that this Act be given further study prior to passage.