

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Senator Hichens of York.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Establish a Committee on Problems of Corrections.

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

Sec. 1. 34 MRSA, § 529 is enacted to read:

§ 529. Maine Committee on Problems of Corrections; duties

There shall be a Maine Committee on Problems of Corrections composed of 12 members, consisting of one member from the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House and one member from the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate, and 10 representative citizens appointed by the Governor, who shall designate a chairman. Of the first gubernatorial appointments, 4 shall be for one year, 3 for 2 years and 3 for 3 years. Thereafter, appointments shall be for 3 years. Members of the committee shall serve without pay, but will be reimbursed for expenses on the same basis as state employees.

The duties of the Maine Committee on Problems of Corrections shall be to act in an advisory capacity to the commissioner and to the Director of the Bureau of Corrections in assessing present programs, planning future programs and in developing means to meet the correctional needs of the State of Maine. To this end, the committee shall issue a report containing the results of its studies to the Director of the Bureau of Corrections every year, the preparation and printing of the report to be paid for by the Bureau of Corrections. The committee shall meet as often as necessary to carry out its duties, at the discretion of the chairman.

Sec. 2. **Appropriation.** There is appropriated to the Maine Committee on Problems of Corrections from the General Fund the sum of \$4,500 to carry out the purpose of this Act. The breakdown shall be as follows:

	1974-75	1975-76
MENTAL HEALTH AND CORRECTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF		
Bureau of Corrections		
Maine Committee on Problems of Corrections		
All Other	\$2,000	\$2,500

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to establish a committee on problems of corrections.