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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 505

H. P. 419 House of Representatives, January 30, 1975 Referred to the Committee on State Government. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Kelleher of Bangor.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT Placing the Secretary to the Attorney General in Unclassified Service of State Government.

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

Whereas, the position of secretary to the Attorney General is in the classified service; and

Whereas, the Attorney General's request to have the position of secretary to the Attorney General placed in unclassified service must be made to the Legislature; and

Whereas, the position of Secretary to the Attorney General has unique responsibilities and confidences due to the nature of the office; and

Whereas, the present position of secretary to the Attorney General is vacant and the present placement of the position of secretary makes it difficult to fill the vacancy; 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:

5 MRSA, § 711, sub-§ 10, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 625, § 21, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

10. Deputies, Assistants and the Secretary to the Attorney General of the Department of Attorney General. Deputies, assistants and secretary to the Attorney General of the Attorney General's Department.

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 to place the secretary of the Attorney General in the unclassified service due to the unique responsibility and confidences attending the position. No additional funds are requested in this bill.