

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 555

S. P. 175

In Senate, February 6, 1975

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

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Speers of Kennebec.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to the Maine Criminal Justice Academy.

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

Sec. 1. 25 MRSA, § 2804, last sentence, as last amended by PL 1971, c. 241, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

The board shall organize annually by electing a chairman, a vice-chairman and a secretary from among its members.

Sec. 2. 25 MRSA, § 2805, sub-§ 1, last sentence, as last repealed and replaced by PL 1973, c. 672, § 1, is amended to read:

This section shall not apply to any person employed as a full-time local law enforcement officer on September 23, 1971, unless subsequent to January 1, 1976, said person should not be employed as a full-time local law enforcement officer for a period which exceeds one year.

Sec. 3. 25 MRSA, § 2805, sub-§ 3, last sentence, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 672, § 2, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

The content, rules and regulations of and the time periods in which such in-service training shall take place shall be prescribed by the board of trustees and all such in-service training shall be subject to the approval of the board of trustees.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill will eliminate the unnecessary office of treasurer since all finances for the academy are under the control of the Commissioner of Public Safety.

The legislation covered in this bill would, in the interest of public safety, require a "full-time local law enforcement officer" who was not heretofore covered by section 2805, subsection 1, because he or she was employed as such on September 23, 1971, but who leaves the law enforcement profession after September 23, 1971, and returns to the profession after January 1, 1977, and has been absent from law enforcement work for a period exceeding one year, to be subject to said section 2805, subsection 1. Finally, the bill would place absolute authority over the "in-service training" referred to in section 2805, subsection 3, in the board of trustees of the academy.