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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 760

S. P. 228 In Senate, February 25, 1975 Referred to Committee on Local and County Government. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Corson of Somerset.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT Prohibiting County Commissioners and Municipal Officers from Appointing Themselves to Certain Offices.

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

Sec. 1. 30 MRSA § 51 is amended by adding at the end a new sentence to read:

No county commissioner shall, during the term for which he shall have been elected, be appointed to any civil office of the municipality, which shall have created or the compensation of which shall have been increased by the action of the county commissioners during such term.

Sec. 2. 30 MRSA § 1906 is enacted to read:

§ 1906. Prohibited appointments

No municipal officer shall, during the term for which he shall have been elected, be appointed to any civil office of the municipality, which shall have been created or the compensation of which shall have been increased by the action of the municipal officers during such term.

STATEMENT OF FACT

It is the intention of this Act to prohibit county commissioners or municipal officers from either creating a new appointive office or increasing the compensation of an existing appointive office, and then filling that office from within their own ranks.