

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 2296

S. P. 666

In Senate, March 8, 1976

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

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Marcotte of York.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SIX

AN ACT to Assure Resources for the Resolution of Disputes.

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

Sec. 1. 26 MRSA § 968, sub-§ 1, as enacted by PL 1969, c. 424, § 1, and as last repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 564, § 22, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

1. **Maine Labor Relations Board; powers and duties.** The Maine Labor Relations Board shall consist of 3 members and 6 alternates to be appointed by the Governor, subject to review by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and to confirmation by the Legislature. The Governor, in making his appointments, shall name one member and 2 alternates to represent employees, one member and 2 alternates to represent employers and one member and 2 alternates to represent the public. The member representing the public shall be the board's chairman and shall be a full-time employee. In his absence or disability, one of the alternate chairmen representing the public shall serve in his place. Members of the board, excluding the full-time chairman, shall each receive \$75 per day, except for alternate chairmen who shall receive \$100 per day, for their services for the time actually employed in the discharge of their official duties. Other alternates shall be paid at the same per diem rate as the member that the alternate replaces. The term of each member and each alternate shall be for a period of 4 years; provided that of the members and alternates first appointed, one member and 2 alternates shall be appointed for a period of 4 years, one member and 2 alternates shall be appointed for a period of 3 years and one member and 2 alternates shall be appointed for a period of 2 years. The members of the board, its alternates and its employees shall receive necessary expenses. The full-time chairman, executive director and legal personnel employed by the board shall be members of the unclassified service.

Sec. 2. **Appropriation.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Maine Labor Relations Board the sum of \$27,300 to carry out the duties imposed under the law. The breakdown shall be as follows:

	1976-77
MAINE LABOR RELATIONS BOARD	
Personal Services	(1) \$25,000
All Other	1,500
Capital Expenditures	800
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	\$27,300

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill amends the Maine Labor Relations Board by providing for full-time personnel which will assure adequate manpower and expertise for the resolution of disputes.