

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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(Governor's Bill)
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1786

H. P. 1669

House of Representatives, January 10, 1980

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk of the House

Presented by Mr. Hickey of Augusta.

Cosponsors: Ms Lund of Augusta, Mr. Paradis of Augusta and Mrs. Mitchell of Vassalboro.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY

AN ACT to Amend the Capitol Planning Commission Law.

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA § 298, last 3 ¶¶, as amended, are repealed and the following enacted in their place:

The Director of Public Improvements shall serve as the secretariat of the commission in exercising its administration. The commission may, in accordance with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act, chapter 375, make and enforce such rules and regulations as it deems necessary for the purposes of carrying out this chapter. These rules shall have the full force and effect of law.

Among these rules and regulations, the commission shall adopt and promulgate regulations governing the height, setback, location of driveways, exterior design and materials, landscaping, location of parking and parking ratio of parking area to building area of all buildings erected or reconstructed within the Capitol Area of the City of Augusta, provided that the regulations shall not apply to the erection, reconstruction or repair of buildings which are used for residential purposes and do not exceed 8 dwelling units.

Sec. 2. 5 MRSA § 305, first sentence, as amended by PL 1975, c. 647, § 5-A, is further amended to read:

The commission shall report biennially to the ~~Legislature~~ **Joint Standing Committee of the Legislature which is assigned jurisdiction over the subject of State Government** facts and recommendations relating to the work and needs of the commission.

Sec. 3. Appropriation. The following funds shall be appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

1980-81

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION,
DEPARTMENT OF
Capitol Planning Commission
All Other

\$8,000

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill clarifies the rule-making authority of the Capitol Planning Commission and establishes the commission's authority to enforce those rules.

There is also an \$8,000 appropriation to cover the operating costs of the commission.