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#### FIRST REGULAR SESSION

## ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

# **Legislative Document**

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H. P. 111 House of Representatives, January 7, 1981 Referred to the Committee on Marine Resources. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Conners of Franklin.

## STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

AN ACT to Increase Funding of the Maine Lobster Advisory Council.

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

- 12 MRSA § 6462, sub-§ 3, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 355, § 1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:
- 3. Compensation. Members shall serve without compensation, except when engaged in activities designated by the approval of the council, that are other than the scheduled meetings of the council. In such instance a pay schedule of \$25 per day shall be deemed adequate. This amount shall be in excess of the permissible expenses allowed council members.

Members shall be reimbursed for their actual expense including travel at a mileage equal to that for state employees, as set out in Title 5, section 8. Expenses of the council shall not exceed \$4,000 per year.

### STATEMENT OF FACT

It is in the best interest of the lobster and crab fishermen of the State that the Lobster Advisory Council have adequate funding. The funding of this important council should not be left to the generosity of other departments such as the Department of Marine Resources as is presently being done. The Department of Marine Resources has shown concern about budget problems of its own.