

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1275

H. P. 1072

House of Representatives, March 12, 1981

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Ketover of Portland.

Cosponsors: Representative Kany of Waterville and Representative Boyce of Auburn.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Establish Fairer and more Equitable Funding Considerations by the Maine State Commission on the Arts and the Humanities to Well-established Nonprofessional Community Theaters.

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

27 MRSA § 406-A is enacted to read:

§ 406-A. Nonprofessional theatrical organizations; funding

Any nonprofessional theatrical organization which has been in operation for 10 years or more and which can show by its attendance record that it provides a wanted and needed service to the community, and which further provides training or experience to citizens of the State by which they may further their careers, shall be given equal consideration with any professional group or presentation when funds are being requested from the commission.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to require that nonprofessional theatrical organizations which provide valuable service to Maine citizens and communities be given equal consideration when funds are distributed by the Maine State Commission on the Arts and the Humanities.