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(EMERGENCY)

FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1796

H.P. 1363

House of Representatives, August 31, 1983

Reference to the Committee on State Government is suggested and ordered printed.

Approved for introduction by the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Mitchell of Vassalboro.

Cosponsor: Senator Collins of Knox.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**AN ACT to Empower the Legislative Council to
Establish Benefit Schedules for Legislative
Employees.**

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the Legislative Council voted at its meeting of March 28, 1983, to extend the same benefits to legislative employees as those granted to employees of the Executive Branch; and

Whereas, this Act is necessary to effectuate the intent of the Legislative Council; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preser-

1 vation of the public peace, health and safety; now,
2 therefore,

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

5 3 MRSA §162, sub-§2, as amended by PL 1975, c.
6 770, §3, is further amended to read:

7 2. Legislative employee salary and benefit
8 schedules. To establish salary schedules for all
9 employees of legislative agencies, departments and
10 offices, except as otherwise provided by law, and to
11 develop relatively uniform salary schedules for House
12 and Senate employees and officers and, notwithstand-
13 ing any other provision of law, to establish benefit
14 schedules for legislative employees;

15 Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited
16 in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when
17 approved and shall be applied retroactively to March
18 28, 1983.

19 STATEMENT OF FACT

20 At its meeting March 28, 1983, the Legislative
21 Council voted to extend the same benefits to legis-
22 lative employees as those granted to employees of the
23 Executive Branch, and this legislation is necessary
24 for the implementation.

25 Funding for this Act is included in the legis-
26 lative budgets for the current biennium.

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