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STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Provide Policy and Guidelines
for Creation and Operation of Boards
and Commissions.

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

5 MRSA c. 379 is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 379

BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES,

COUNCILS AND SIMILAR ORGANIZATIONS

§12001. Duty of Secretary of State

The Secretary of State shall compile and maintain a current list of all boards in State Government, including the name of the board, the names of its mem-

1 bers, positions in State Government held by any mem-
2 ber, any vacancies, the date of the board's last re-
3 ported meeting, its most recent reported expenditures
4 on members' compensation and expenses and what other
5 information he deems necessary.

6 §12002. Members from other branches of government

7 Persons who serve in any branch of State Govern-
8 ment may serve on a board that is solely advisory in
9 authority. A person who serves in a branch of State
10 Government may not serve on a board of another branch
11 of State Government if that board is not solely ad-
12 visory in authority.

13 A board is solely advisory in authority if its
14 only authority is to review policies and procedures,
15 conduct studies or advise or make recommendations to
16 a branch of government. It may not have the authori-
17 ty to control expenditures, issue rules, approve de-
18 isions of other agencies or officials or enforce its
19 decisions or recommendations.

20 §12003. Finances

21 All boards shall maintain such financial records
22 as may be required by the State Controller and State
23 Auditor.

24 §12004. Powers and duties

25 1. Duties. Each board shall have the following
26 duties:

27 A. Keep minutes of all meetings and record all
28 actions;

29 B. Limit all activities of the board to the con-
30 finies of its authorization; and

31 C. Observe that a majority of the members of the
32 board shall constitute a quorum unless otherwise
33 specified.

34 §12005. New boards

