

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 SECOND REGULAR SESSION  
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE  
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5 Legislative Document

No. 1777

7 S.P. 691

In Senate, January 9, 1986

8 Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council  
9 pursuant to Joint Rule 26.

10 Reference to the Committee on Aging, Retirement and Veterans  
suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator Clark of Cumberland.

11 Cosponsored by Representative McGowan of Canaan and Senator  
Najarian of Cumberland.

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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SIX  
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17 Resolve, to Establish a Commission to Study  
18 the Integration of the Maine State  
19 Retirement System with the Social  
20 Security System.  
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22 Integration of the Maine State Retirement System  
23 and Social Security. Resolved: That the Federal  
24 Government is moving in the direction of universal  
25 mandatory coverage of the Social Security System; and  
26 be it further

27 Resolved: That prior to any federally mandated  
28 inclusion of members of the Maine State Retirement  
29 System into the Federal Social Security System, or  
30 voluntary election of membership by the State and its  
31 employees, there needs to be a review of the benefit  
32 structures and costs of both systems to determine the  
33 impact on State Government and local government and  
34 their employees of developing an integrated system;  
35 and be it further

1 Commission to study the integration of the Maine  
2 State Retirement System with Social Security formed;  
3 appointment; expenses. Resolved: That there shall  
4 be formed a Joint Select Commission to Study the In-  
5 tegration of the Maine State Retirement System with  
6 the Social Security System comprised of the following  
7 members:

8 1. The following members shall be appointed by  
9 the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the  
10 House of Representatives: Two members of the House of  
11 Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House  
12 of Representatives; and 2 members of the Senate ap-  
13 pointed by the President of the Senate; and

14 2. Three public members shall be appointed by  
15 the Governor. The members of the commission shall be  
16 paid reasonable expenses and a per diem equal to the  
17 legislative per diem; and be it further

18 Report. Resolve: That this Commission to Study  
19 the Integration of the Maine State Retirement System  
20 with the Social Security System shall prepare and  
21 present a report, including any necessary legisla-  
22 tion, to the Governor and the Joint Standing Commit-  
23 tee on Aging, Retirement and Veterans no later than  
24 January 1, 1987. This report shall:

25 1. Document the existing benefits available un-  
26 der Social Security and the Maine State Retirement  
27 System;

28 2. Determine the cost of both systems to the em-  
29 ployer and employee; and

30 3. Evaluate different models of integration of  
31 the 2 systems with the aim of retaining or raising  
32 current benefit levels under the Maine State Retire-  
33 ment System and limiting any increased cost to em-  
34 ployers and employees to those caused by expanded  
35 benefits; and be it further

36 Staff support. Resolved: That the commission  
37 may request staff assistance from the Legislative  
38 Council; and be it further

