

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative DIAMOND of Bangor.

Cosponsored by Representatives MCGOWAN of Canaan, MILLS  
of Bethel and Senator CLARK of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**AN ACT to Enhance Economic Development  
through Promotion of Film-making in Maine.**

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA c. 361, sub-c. IV is enacted to  
read:

SUBCHAPTER IV

MAINE FILM OFFICE

§7019. Maine Film Office

1. Office established. There is created a Maine  
Film Office within the State Development Office. The  
Director of the State Development Office shall ap-

1 point a full-time director and an assistant director.  
2 The director shall carry out the duties as specified  
3 under section 7020 and the assistant director shall  
4 assist the director and provide any necessary clerical  
5 assistance.

6 2. Definitions. As used in this section, unless  
7 the context otherwise indicates, the following terms  
8 have the following meanings.

9 A. "Board" means the Maine Film Advisory Board  
10 as established by section 7021.

11 B. "Office" means the Maine Film Office as es-  
12 ablished in this section.

13 §7020. Powers and duties

14 1. Powers and duties. The Maine Film Office,  
15 advised by the board, shall:

16 A. Advise and assist the State Development Of-  
17 fice and the Maine Publicity Bureau in attracting  
18 in-state, on-location filming of movies, adver-  
19 tisements and videos in the State; and

20 B. Raise and accept funds from public and pri-  
21 vate sources on behalf of the State to be used to  
22 promote the purposes of this chapter.

23 2. Expend funds. The office may expend any  
24 available funds to develop and distribute promotional  
25 materials designed to promote Maine as a suitable lo-  
26 cation for various media events.

27 §7021. Board established; membership; compensation

28 1. Maine Film Advisory Board. The Maine Film  
29 Advisory Board, as established by section 12004, sub-  
30 section 10, shall be within the State Development Of-  
31 fice and shall advise and assist the office as neces-  
32 sary. The board has final approval on any action  
33 contemplated by the office.

34 A. The board shall consist of 11 members ap-  
35 pointed by the Governor.

1                   (1) The members shall be appointed from  
2                   among residents of the State who are in-  
3                   involved in a related business field or possess  
4                   experience or familiarity with media market-  
5                   ing or public relations. The Governor shall  
6                   ensure that the members constitute an equi-  
7                   table regional representation from the  
8                   State.

9                   (2) The Director of the Maine Publicity Bu-  
10                   reau and the Director of the State Develop-  
11                   ment Office shall serve as ex officio mem-  
12                   bers of the board.

13                   B. The terms of office shall be as follows.

14                   (1) All members shall be appointed for  
15                   3-year terms, except of those first ap-  
16                   pointed 3 shall be appointed for 3-year  
17                   terms, 4 shall be appointed for 2-year terms  
18                   and 4 shall be appointed for one-year terms.  
19                   The Governor shall designate the terms of  
20                   office of those first appointed at the time  
21                   of appointment.

22                   (2) Members shall serve until their succes-  
23                   sors are appointed and take office. The  
24                   Governor may terminate the membership of any  
25                   appointee for just cause and the reason for  
26                   the termination shall be communicated in  
27                   writing to each member whose term is so ter-  
28                   minated.

29                   (3) Vacancies shall be filled in the same  
30                   manner as original appointments, except that  
31                   any person appointed to fill a vacancy shall  
32                   serve only for the unexpired term of the va-  
33                   cancy.

34                   C. The chairman and vice-chairman shall be  
35                   elected by the board annually at the first meet-  
36                   ing of the board and shall serve for one-year  
37                   terms.

38                   (1) The chairman shall call meetings of the  
39                   board.

