

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SECOND REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

NO. 2072

H.P. 1519 House of Representatives, January 15, 1988

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

Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and
Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative GWADOSKY of Fairfield.

Cosponsored by Representatives DAGGETT of Augusta and
CARROLL of Gray.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Provide for the
Computerization of Data and Information
Relating to Boards and Commissions.

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

7 Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §12005, as amended by PL 1985,
8 c. 732, §5, is further amended by adding at the end a
9 new paragraph to read:

10 The data and information required by this section

1 shall be placed on computer along with any other
2 information about boards deemed necessary by the
3 Secretary of State, the Legislature or the Governor.
4 The data shall be organized in a manner to provide the
5 Executive Department and legislative branch of
6 government with accurate and comprehensive information
7 as required by the department and the branch.

8 Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds are
9 appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the
10 purposes of this Act.

11 1988-89

12 SECRETARY OF STATE,
13 DEPARTMENT OF THE

14 Bureau of
15 Administration

16 Personal Services	\$ 8,500
17 All Other	7,500
18 Capital Expenditures	3,400

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20 Total \$19,400

21 These funds shall be
22 used to transform a
23 seasonal, part-time
24 20-hour Clerk Typist
25 I position to a
26 full-time Clerk
27 Typist I project
28 position for the
29 1988-89 fiscal year,
30 to contract for
31 services from the
32 Bureau of Data
33 Processing and to
34 acquire computer
35 hardware and software
36 for the purposes of
37 carrying out out this
38 Act.

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Statement of Fact

2 Currently, basic data relating to expenditures and
3 revenues, vacancies, attendance, location and
4 membership of boards and commissions is not easily
5 accessible, or even known, in many cases. Since state
6 boards and commissions, of which there are more than
7 200, have a substantial impact upon the State, the
8 State should have basic information about these boards
9 that is easily accessible.

10 This bill provides for the development of a
11 program to place on a computer database all necessary
12 data reported to the Secretary of State with respect
13 to boards and commissions. Once the basic information
14 is placed on computer, the annual updating of the
15 information will not be a substantial task.

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