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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 251, L.D. 342, Bill, "An Act to Revise the Composition of the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System"

Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 2 and 3 and inserting in their place the following:

'Sec. 2. P&SL 1865, c. 532, §4, sub-§2, as amended by PL 1983, c. 799, §4, is further amended to read:

2. **Members appointed by the Governor.** Fourteen members shall-be are appointed for 5-year terms by the Governor, subject to review by the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education and confirmation by the Legislature. Each term shall-~~expire~~ expires on May 26th of the appropriate year, except that the retiring member shall serve until a successor is appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Legislature. No person accepting such ~~an~~ appointment may be a member of the State Board of Education. In making appointments, the Governor shall strive to achieve a membership which is representative of the population of this State. ~~In-so far~~ Insofar as feasible when selecting qualified nominees to the board, the Governor shall consider affirmative action criteria, professional education and experience and an equitable geographical representation among the members. One of the trustees must be a faculty trustee who has a doctoral degree and is a teaching faculty member and not an administrator. Every 5th year, the Chancellor of the University of Maine System shall solicit a list of 6 eligible faculty members from the faculty senates from 6 of the campuses within the University of Maine System; the 7th campus being excluded in accordance with this subsection. The Governor shall then nominate a faculty trustee

2 chosen from the list. The faculty trustee may not come from the
3 same campus in any 2 consecutive terms. The faculty trustee is
4 prohibited from voting on faculty collective bargaining
5 agreements and faculty tenure decisions. Trustees Nonfaculty
6 trustees may serve a maximum of 2 terms, except that an
7 individual appointed to fill an unexpired term of 3 years or less
8 is eligible for appointment to 2 full terms. Vacancies shall
9 must be filled by the Governor, subject to review by the joint
10 standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over
11 education and confirmation by the Legislature, for the unexpired
12 balance of the term. In order to restore and maintain rotation
13 of terms of office of trustees, an incumbent trustee who was
14 appointed for a term of 5 years at a time subsequent to the
15 expiration of the term of his the trustee's predecessor in office
16 shall-be is deemed to have commenced his the 5-year term upon the
17 date of the expiration of the term of office of his the trustee's
18 predecessor rather than from the date of his appointment and
19 qualification. Trustees shall serve without compensation, but
20 may be reimbursed for travel and other expenses incurred in the
21 performance of their official duties.'

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23 STATEMENT OF FACT

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25 This amendment revises the composition of the Board of
26 Trustees of the University of Maine System to include one
27 teaching faculty member and adds a selection provision for the
28 faculty trustee. The amendment also prohibits appointment of a
29 faculty trustee from the same campus in any 2 consecutive terms
30 and prohibits a faculty trustee from voting on tenure and faculty
collective bargaining agreements.

Reported by the Minority of the Committee on Education
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