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Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative GURNEY of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator MILLS of Oxford and Representative JACQUES of Waterville.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

An Act to Increase the Number of Members of the Maine Turnpike
Authority.



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

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4 23 MRSA §1965, sub-§2, as amended by PL 1987, c. 433, §1, is further amended to read:

6 2. **Membership of the authority.** The membership of the authority shall-be is as follows.

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10 A. The authority shall-~~consist~~ consists of-4- 6 members appointed by the Governor, subject to review by the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over transportation and subject to confirmation by the Legislature. The Commissioner of Transportation shall be a member ex officio. Upon the expiration of the term of office of any member, the Governor shall appoint a new member who shall serve in office for a term of 7 years and until his a successor is duly appointed and qualified, and any member of the authority shall--be is eligible for reappointment. In the event of a vacancy in the membership of the authority caused by the death, incapacity, resignation or removal of a member, the Governor shall appoint a member to fill that vacancy only for the unexpired term of office of the member whose death, incapacity, resignation or removal created the vacancy, but the newly appointed member may be reappointed at the end of the unexpired term in accordance with this subsection. In all events, no member may be appointed to the authority who is not a resident of the State at the time of his that member's appointment and qualification, or who has not been a qualified voter in the State for a period of at least one year next preceding his the member's appointment.

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34 B. Immediately after their appointments, the members of the authority shall enter upon their duties. The Governor shall name one of the appointed members as ~~chairman~~ chair of the authority. The authority shall elect a secretary and treasurer who need not be a member of the authority, and shall elect an executive director or general manager who is not a member of the authority. ~~Three~~ Five members of the authority shall constitute a quorum and ~~3~~ 5 votes shall-be are required for the authority to act on any matter, although a lesser number may adjourn. No vacancy in the authority impairs the right of a quorum of the members to exercise all the rights and perform all the duties of the authority.

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48 C. Before the issuance of any bonds under this chapter, the secretary and treasurer shall execute a security bond in the penalty of \$100,000. Each security bond must be approved by the Attorney General and shall must be conditioned upon the faithful performance of the duties of his the secretary's and treasurer's office, which bond shall-be is filed in the

2 office of the State Auditor. Each member of the authority
shall-be-compensated is entitled to compensation according
4 to the provisions of Title 5, chapter 379. The Governor may
remove a member from the authority only for gross misconduct.

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8 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

10 This bill increases the appointed members of the Maine
Turnpike Authority from 4 to 6.