

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, April 11, 1991

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

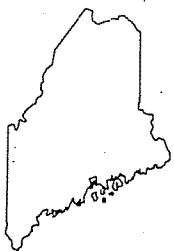
Presented by Representative BENNETT of Norway.

Cosponsored by Representative LOOK of Jonesboro and Representative HANLEY of Paris.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Require the Popular Election of the State Auditor.



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

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4 5 MRSA §241, as amended by PL 1973, c. 792, §1, is further amended to read:

6 **§241. State Auditor; salary**

8 The State Auditor shall ~~be~~ is the head of the Department of
10 Audit, as heretefore established by this chapter. ~~He shall~~ The
12 State Auditor must be a certified public accountant or a college
14 graduate with not less than 6 years of experience as a
16 professional accountant or auditor, including not less than 5
18 years of auditing experience, of which not less than 4 years
20 shall must have been in a supervisory capacity. ~~He shall be~~
22 ~~elected by the Legislature by a joint ballot of the Senators and~~
24 ~~Representatives in convention and shall hold office for a term of~~
26 ~~4 years or until his successor is elected and qualified. He~~ The
28 State Auditor is elected biennially in the same manner as
30 Senators and Representatives. If a vacancy occurs the Governor
32 shall appoint a successor who is subject to confirmation in the
34 same manner as justices of the Supreme Judicial Court. The State
36 Auditor shall exercise such powers and perform such duties as are
set forth in this chapter. In case the office of State Auditor
shall become vacant during a period when the Legislature is not
in session, the appointment of a person to fill such vacancy
shall be made immediately by the President of the Senate or if
that office be vacant, by the Speaker of the House, said person
to hold office until such time as the Legislature shall meet in
regular or special session, and either confirm the appointment of
said person or choose another person to fill the office during
the unexpired term.

34 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

36 This bill provides for the popular election of the State Auditor on a biennial basis.