

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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No. 729

S.P. 236

In Senate, March 2, 1993

**An Act Concerning the Composition of Appointed Governmental Boards
in the State.**

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator McCORMICK of Kennebec.
Cosponsored by Senators: CONLEY of Cumberland, HANDY of Androscoggin,
Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, BOWERS of Washington, CATHCART of Orono,
CHASE of China, ERWIN of Rumford, HEESCHEN of Wilton, HOLT of Bath, JOHNSON of
South Portland, PFEIFFER of Brunswick.

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

4 Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §12016 is enacted to read:

6 §12016. Gender-balanced entities

8 All appointed boards, commissions, committees and similar
10 organizations of the State established by law must, as nearly as
12 possible, be gender-balanced and reflect the diversity of the
14 state population, including such factors as race and ethnicity.

16 STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill requires that all boards, commissions, committees
and similar organizations established by law be gender-balanced.