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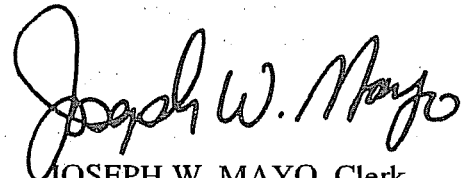
No. 1889

H.P. 1391

House of Representatives, February 15, 1994

An Act to Establish the Maine Commission on National Service.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.
Reference to the Committee on Education suggested and ordered printed.


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative MITCHELL of Vassalboro.
Cosponsored by Senator: O'DEA of Penobscot.

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

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Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §12004-G, sub-§8-B is enacted to read:

<u>8-B.</u>	<u>Maine</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>20-A MRSA</u>
<u>Education</u>	<u>Commission</u>	<u>Only</u>	<u>§12901</u>
	<u>on National</u>		
	<u>Service</u>		

Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA c. 437 is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 437

MAINE COMMISSION ON NATIONAL SERVICE

§12901. Commission established; purpose

There is established the Maine Commission on National Service, referred to in this chapter as the "commission," to receive grants, implement statewide service programs and make subgrants to local entities in accordance with the federal National and Community Service Trust Act of 1993, Public Law 108-82.

§12902. Membership; terms

1. Membership; qualifications. The commission consists of no fewer than 15 and no more than 25 voting members, appointed by the Governor, subject to review by the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters and confirmation by the Legislature. The Governor shall select a chair from among the members. Among the members there must be:

A. At least one representative of a community-based agency or organization;

B. The commissioner or the commissioner's designee;

C. At least one representative of local government;

D. At least one representative of a local labor organization;

E. At least one representative of business;

F. At least one individual who is at least 16 years of age but no more than 25 years of age and who is a participant in or supervisor of a service program for youth or a campus-based or national service program;

2 G. At least one representative of a national service
3 program;

4 H. At least one individual with expertise in the education,
5 training and development needs of youth, particularly
6 disadvantaged youth; and

7 I. At least one individual with experience in promoting the
8 involvement of adults in national service and volunteerism.

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10 The appointments may also include educators, including
11 representatives from institutions of higher education and local
12 education agencies; experts in the delivery of human,
13 educational, environmental or public safety services to
14 communities and persons; representatives of Indian Tribes;
15 out-of-school or at-risk youth; and representatives of programs
16 that are administered or receive assistance under the federal
17 Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973, 42 United States Code,
18 Section 4951 et seq. (1973). The commission must also seat a
19 liaison designated by the federal Corporation for National
20 Service. The appointments must reflect some diversity with
21 respect to geography, race, ethnicity, age, gender, disability
22 characteristics and political affiliation.

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24 2. Terms of office. The appointed members serve 3-year
25 terms, except, of the initial appointments, 5 terms expire June
26 30, 1995; 5 terms expire June 30, 1996; and 5 terms expire June
27 30, 1997. The Governor shall appoint members to vacancies on the
28 commission as they occur or upon expiration of terms. Any
29 vacancy must be filled for the unexpired portion of the term in
30 which the vacancy occurs.

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32 3. Reimbursement. All members must be paid for expenses in
33 the same manner as state employees.

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35 §12903. Duties

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37 The commission shall:

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39 1. Develop national and community service plan. Develop a
40 3-year state comprehensive national and community service plan.
41 The commission shall ensure an open and inclusive process for
42 maximum participation in development of the plan;

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44 2. Preselect programs and prepare applications. Preselect
45 national service programs and prepare an application to the
46 Corporation for National and Community Service;

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48 3. Assist state education agencies. Assist state education
49 agencies in the preparation of applications;
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and community service or a comparable entity. This bill creates
the Maine Commission on National Service.

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This document has not yet been reviewed to determine the
need for cross-reference, stylistic and other technical
amendments to conform existing law to current drafting standards.