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S.P. 225

In Senate, February 17, 1995

**An Act to Change the Membership of the Task Force on the Maine
School of Visual and Performing Arts.**

Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "May M. Ross".

MAY M. ROSS
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator FAIRCLOTH of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative LUMBRA of Bangor and
Senators: MICHAUD of Penobscot, O'DEA of Penobscot, RUHLIN of Penobscot,
Representatives: CAMPBELL of Holden, FISHER of Brewer, JOY of Crystal, LANE of
Enfield, McELROY of Unity, MORRISON of Bangor, SAXL of Bangor, STEDMAN of
Hartland, STONE of Bangor, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, WINN of Glenburn.

2 **Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not
become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted
as emergencies; and

4 **Whereas,** the Task Force on the Maine School of Visual and
6 Performing Arts was established by Public Law 1993, chapter 706
and its members have already begun performing their duties; and

8 **Whereas,** this bill proposes to increase the membership on
10 the task force and makes a change affecting the development of a
plan to implement a school for the visual and performing arts; and

12 **Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts
14 create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of
Maine and require the following legislation as immediately
16 necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and
safety; now, therefore,

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

20 **Sec. 1. Public Law 1993, c. 706, Pt. B, §§1 and 2** are amended to
22 read:

24 **Sec. B-1. Task force; establishment.** The Task Force on the
Maine School of Visual and Performing Arts, referred to in this
26 Part as the "task force," is established to develop a plan to
implement a school for the arts in the greater Portland area or
28 greater Bangor areas to open in September of 1996.

30 **Sec. B-2. Task force; membership.** In appointing members to
the task force, the Governor shall give proper consideration to
32 achieving statewide geographical representation and gender
equity. The task force consists of the following 20 members, to
34 be appointed by the Governor:

- 36 1. ~~One member~~ Two members representing the Legislature;
- 38 2. One member representing the State Board of Education;
- 40 3. ~~One superintendent~~ Two superintendents of schools;
- 42 4. ~~One~~ Two school ~~principal~~ principals;
- 44 5. ~~One member~~ Three members, one representing the Portland
46 Museum of Art, one representing the Northern Conservatory of
Music and one representing the Hudson Museum;
- 48 6. ~~One member~~ Two members, one representing the Portland
50 Ballet Company and one representing the Robinson Ballet Company;

2 7. ~~One-member~~ Two members, one representing the Portland
Symphony Orchestra and one representing the Bangor Symphony
3 Orchestra;

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5 8. ~~One-member~~ Four members, one representing the Portland
6 Stage Company, one representing the Mad Horse Theater Company, or
7 one representing the Young People's Theater Group in Brunswick
8 and one representing the Penobscot Theater Company;

9 9. The Chancellor of the University of Maine System or the
10 chancellor's designee;

11 10. One member representing the Maine Alliance for Arts
12 Education;

13 11. One professional visual artist or professional musician;

14 12. ~~One-member~~ Two members, one representing the Portland
15 School Committee or a school board from the greater Portland area
16 and one representing the Bangor School Committee or a school
17 board from the greater Bangor area;

18 13. One member representing the Maine College of Art;

19 14. ~~One-member~~ Two members, one representing the greater
20 Portland business community and one representing the greater
21 Bangor business community;

22 15. ~~One-member~~ Two members, one representing the greater
23 Portland corporate community and one representing the greater
24 Bangor corporate community;

25 16. The Commissioner of Education;

26 17. One member representing the Maine Arts Commission;

27 18. One member representing Maine public broadcasting; and

28 19. Three members representing the Maine Art Education
29 Association.

30 **Sec. 2. Appointments.** All new appointments must be made no
31 later than 30 days following the effective date of this Act.

32 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the
33 preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.

STATEMENT OF FACT

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4 This bill increases the membership of the Task Force on the
Maine School of Visual and Performing Arts enacted by Public Law
1993, chapter 706. This bill provides for the appointment of
6 members from the greater Bangor area and includes the greater
Bangor area as a potential site for the school for the arts.