

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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In Senate, January 9, 1996

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### An Act to Amend the Membership of Certain Boards and Commissions.

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Submitted by the Department of Economic and Community Development pursuant to Joint Rule 24.

Reference to the Committee on Business and Economic Development 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 HARRIMAN of Cumberland.  
Cosponsored by Representative ROWE of Portland.

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

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4       **Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §3307-E, sub-§1, ¶A**, as enacted by PL 1991, c. 854, Pt. B, §1, is amended to read:

6           A. The Director of the State Planning Office, the  
8           Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, the  
10           Commissioner of Labor, the Commissioner of Professional and  
12           Financial Regulation, the Commissioner of Defense and  
          Veterans' Services and the President of the Maine Technical  
          College System, or the commissioners' designees, who serve  
          ex officio;

14       **Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §3307-E, sub-§3**, as amended by PL 1993, c. 410,  
16       Pt. PPP, §1, is further amended to read:

18           **3. Administration.** The Commissioner of Economic and  
20           Community Development or the commissioner's designee is the chair  
22           of the task force. The Economic Conversion Division shall  
          provide staff support to the task force. State agencies shall  
          provide technical assistance to the task force as needed.

24       **Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §3331, sub-§1, ¶H**, as enacted by PL 1993, c.  
26       721, Pt. C, §1 and affected by Pt. H, §1, is amended to read:

28           H. The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development  
          or the commissioner's designee; and

30       **Sec. 4. 5 MRSA §13001, sub-1, ¶A**, as enacted by PL 1991, 854,  
32       Pt. D, §1, is amended to read:

34           A. The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development  
          or the commissioner's designee;

36       **Sec. 5. 5 MRSA §13001, sub-§5**, as amended by PL 1993, c. 410,  
38       Pt. PPP, §2, is further amended to read:

40           **5. Chair.** The council shall biennially elect a chair,  
42           except that the Commissioner of Economic and Community  
          Development or the commissioner's designee shall chair the  
          council for the term ending January 1, 1996.

44       **Sec. 6. 5 MRSA §13031, sub-§3**, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 875,  
46       Pt. L, §§2 and 4, is amended to read:

48           **3. Commissioner.** "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of  
          Economic and Community Development or the commissioner's designee.

50       **Sec. 7. 5 MRSA §13069, sub-§1, ¶A**, as enacted by PL 1989, c.  
          875, Pt. M, §§6 and 13, is amended to read:

2 A. The commission consists of 11 members appointed by the  
Governor.

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6 (1) The members appointed must be involved in a  
related business field or possess experience or  
8 familiarity with media marketing or public relations.  
The Governor shall ensure an equitable regional  
representation from the State.

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12 (2) The Executive Director of the Maine Arts  
Commission and the commissioner or the commissioner's  
14 designee shall serve as ex officio nonvoting members of  
the commission.

16 **Sec. 8. 10 MRSA §929-A, sub-§2**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 410,  
Pt. MMM, §1, is amended to read:

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20 **2. Membership.** The council consists of 19 members. The  
Governor, President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of  
22 Representatives shall jointly appoint the following 18 members, 2  
of whom shall serve as cochair of the council:

24 A. Fourteen members having a broad range of expertise in  
areas including but not limited to: labor, environment,  
26 business, and education; and

28 B. Four members of the Legislature with a demonstrated  
interest in economic development.

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32 The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development or the  
commissioner's designee is a member of the council.

34 **Sec. 9. 10 MRSA §934, sub-§3, ¶A**, as enacted by PL 1989, c.  
875, Pt. K, §1 and affected by §3, is amended to read:

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38 A. The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development  
or the commissioner's designee;

40 **Sec. 10. 10 MRSA §965, sub-§4, ¶A**, as amended by PL 1987, c.  
534, Pt. B, §§7 and 23, is further amended to read:

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44 A. The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development  
or the commissioner's designee;

46 **Sec. 11. 20-A MRSA §12705, sub-§1, ¶E**, as amended by PL 1991,  
c. 140, §2, is further amended to read:

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2 E. The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development,  
or the commissioner's ~~suecessor~~ designee, who serves ex  
4 officio;

6 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

8 This bill allows the Commissioner of Economic and Community  
Development, the Commissioner of Labor, the Commissioner of  
10 Professional and Financial Regulation and the Commissioner of  
Defense and Veterans' Services to appoint a designee to serve on  
12 the Task Force on Defense Realignment and the Economy. It also  
allows the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development to  
14 appoint a designee to serve on each of the following: the Land  
and Water Resources Council; the Economic Development and  
16 Business Assistance Coordinating Council; the Maine Small  
Business Commission; the Maine State Film Commission; the Maine  
18 Economic Growth Council; the Board of Directors of the Maine  
World Trade Association; the Finance Authority of Maine; and the  
20 Board of Trustees of the Maine Technical College System.