

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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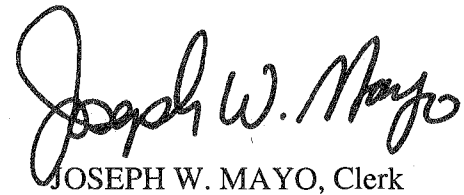
H.P. 15

House of Representatives, January 9, 1997

**An Act to Require Appointment of a County Commissioner Whose District Includes Unorganized and Deorganized Areas to the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission.**

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

  
JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska.

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

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3       **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §683, first ¶**, as amended by PL 1995, c. 3, §2,  
4 is further amended to read:

6       The Maine Land Use Regulation Commission, as established by  
7 Title 5, section 12004-D, subsection 1 to carry out the purposes  
8 stated in section 681, is created within the Department of  
9 Conservation, and in this chapter called the "commission." The  
10 commission is charged with implementing this chapter in all of  
11 the unorganized and deorganized areas of the State. The  
12 commission consists of 7 public members, none of whom may be  
13 state employees, who must be appointed by the Governor, subject  
14 to review by the joint standing committee of the Legislature  
15 having jurisdiction over conservation matters and to confirmation  
16 by the Legislature, for staggered 4-year terms. Among the public  
17 members, there must be 4 who must be knowledgeable in at least  
18 one of each of the following areas: commerce and industry;  
19 fisheries and wildlife; forestry; and conservation. Of the  
20 potential appointees to the commission, the Governor shall  
21 actively seek and give consideration to persons residing in or  
22 near the unorganized areas of the State and to persons residing  
23 on unorganized coastal islands. At least 2 members must be  
24 residents within the commission's jurisdiction and one member  
25 must be a county commissioner whose district includes a portion  
26 of the unorganized and deorganized areas.

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29   **SUMMARY**

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31       This bill requires that one of the 7 members appointed to  
32 the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission be a county commissioner  
33 whose district includes a portion of the unorganized and  
34 deorganized areas.

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## SUMMARY

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6       Current law sets a minimum per diem rate of compensation for  
and requires the county commissioners to establish the rate of  
8 compensation.