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STATE OF MAINE
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126TH LEGISLATURE
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SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1191, L.D. 1619, Bill, "An Act To Amend the Law Governing Conflicts of Interest with Respect to the Public Utilities Commission"

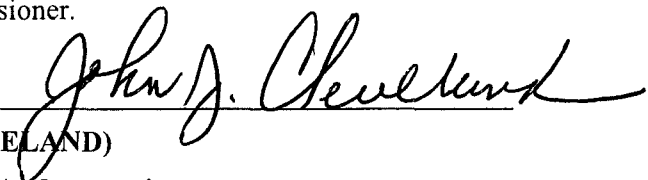
Amend the amendment in section 1 in §108-B by striking out all of subsection 4 (page 2, lines 27 to 30 in amendment) and inserting the following:

4. Compensation. In the event of a temporary appointment under this section, the commission shall provide administrative support to the temporary commissioner and compensate the temporary commissioner for the hours spent at the commission working on a proceeding at an hourly rate that is computed by dividing the annual salary of a commissioner, established in Title 2, section 6-A, subsection 2, by 2,080 hours.'

SUMMARY

This amendment specifies with more detail the compensation that will be provided to a temporary commissioner.

SPONSORED BY:



(Senator CLEVELAND)

COUNTY: Androscoggin

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)

SENATE AMENDMENT



126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1619

LR 2328(04)

An Act To Provide for a Quorum at the Public Utilities Commission

Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment "A" to Committee Amendment "A"

Sponsor: Sen. Cleveland of Androscoggin

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium savings - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This amendment changes the committee amendment's compensation structure for temporary commissioners. It limits a temporary commissioner's compensation to hours spent at the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) while working on a proceeding at a rate of a commissioner's yearly salary, currently \$115,328, divided by 2080 hours, resulting in an hourly rate of \$55.45 per hour. This may reduce the number of hours of compensation paid to temporary commissioners, resulting in incremental savings to the PUC compared to the committee amendment.