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House of Representatives, April 18, 2017

**An Act To Return the Duties of the State Compensation
Commission To Make Recommendations for the Salaries of the
Governor and Judges**

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake.
Cosponsored by Representatives: Speaker GIDEON of Freeport, GOLDEN of Lewiston,
HICKMAN of Winthrop.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 3 MRSA §2-B, sub-§1**, as enacted by PL 1997, c. 506, §1, is amended to
3 read:

4 **1. State Compensation Commission; membership.** The State Compensation
5 Commission, established in Title 5, section 12004-G, subsection 26-D and referred to in
6 this section as the "commission," consists of 5 members appointed in January of every
7 odd-numbered year at the first regular session of each Legislature as follows:

8 A. Two members, ~~not from the same political party~~, appointed by the President of
9 the Senate;

10 B. Two members, ~~not from the same political party~~, appointed by the Speaker of the
11 House; and

12 C. One member appointed by a majority of the members appointed under paragraphs
13 A and B, who serves as chair of the commission.

14 The 5 members must be residents of the State and appointed from the public. A person
15 may not be appointed who is a Legislator at the time of appointment.

16 All members must be appointed for a term to coincide with the legislative biennium. A
17 vacancy must be filled in the same manner as the original appointment for the balance of
18 the unexpired term.

19 The members of the commission are entitled to a per diem, expenses and allowances at
20 the same rate as Legislators.

21 **Sec. 2. 3 MRSA §2-B, sub-§2**, as amended by PL 1999, c. 2, §1, is further
22 amended to read:

23 **2. Duties of commission.** The commission must issue its first report no later than
24 April 15, 1999. ~~No Beginning October 1, 2017, no later than~~ May 1st of every odd-
25 numbered year and January 1st 15th of every even-numbered year ~~thereafter~~, the
26 commission shall submit to the Legislature a an interim report of the commission. ~~The,~~
27 and no later than November 15th of every even-numbered year the commission shall
28 submit to the Legislature a final report of the commission. In the 3rd year of each
29 gubernatorial term of office, the interim report must contain a recommendation for
30 compensation of the Governor as established in Title 2, section 1. A report under this
31 subsection must contain:

32 A. A description of the commission's activities;

33 B. The recommendations of the commission ~~for all regular and special sessions of~~
34 ~~the next Legislature concerning:~~

35 ~~(1) Compensation of Legislators and representatives of Indian tribes, including,~~
36 ~~but not limited to, all payments for: salaries, meals, housing, travel, mileage and~~
37 ~~all other expenses and allowances; additional service as President of the Senate,~~
38 ~~as Speaker of the House or as a member of leadership; and for constituent~~
39 ~~services; and~~

