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EIGHTY - SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 516

S. P. 424

In Senate, Feb. 12, 1935.

Referred to Committee on Maine Publicity and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Schnurle of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to State Publicity.

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

P. L., 1933, c. 209, amended. Chapter 209 of the public laws of 1933 is hereby repealed and the following sections are added to chapter 2 of the revised statutes, to read as follows:

'Sec. 113-A. Maine development commission; how constituted. There is hereby created and established a board of 10 members which shall be known as the Maine Development Commission. Said commission shall be constituted as follows: the governor, the commissioner of agriculture, the commissioner of inland fisheries and game, I member of the Maine Publicity Bureau, I member of the Associated Industries of Maine, I member of the Maine Hotel Association, I outstanding member of newspaper profession in Maine, I outstanding member of political party casting the next largest number of votes in the last election for presidential electors, and 2 other citizens of the state. All appointive members of the commission shall be appointed by the governor and confirmed by the council. Said official members shall hold office during their respective terms. Of the 7 other herein designated appointees, 4 shall hold office for 2 years, and 3 for 3 years; and thereafter appointments shall be for a term of 3 years.

The commission shall choose an executive committee of 5 from its mem-

bership who shall carry out the duties of the commission under the direction of the commissioner. The committee shall choose one of its members to act as chairman.'

'Sec. 113-B. Appropriations; duties of commission. The sum of \$150,000 is hereby annually appropriated for the purpose of advertising and publicly setting forth and displaying agricultural, industrial and recreational resources, activities and attractions of the state, of which sum \$50,000 shall be expended for the purpose of advertising the agricultural products of the state. The commission shall arrange for, authorize and supervise the expenditure of all money appropriated under this section and shall have full authority to execute contracts for the preparation, publication, dissemination and furnishing of information incidental to the purposes of this act. The members of the commission may be recompensed for their expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, but shall not receive any salary. Expenditures authorized by this act shall be paid for only on vouchers approved by the commission and the state controller.'

'Sec. 113-C. Unexpended balances. All unexpended balances remaining at the end of any fiscal year, shall be carried over to the fund herein appropriated to be expended in the succeeding year for the purposes provided for in this act.'