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Referred to the Committee on Public Health, sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Clough of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to the Advisory Council for the Hospital Survey Act.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 22, § 25-C, additional. Chapter 22 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 25-C, to read as follows:

‘Sec. 25-C. Advisory hospital council. The governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall appoint an advisory hospital council to advise and consult with the department of health and welfare in carrying out the administration of sections 25-A to 25-C, inclusive. The council shall consist of 8 members and shall include the commissioner of health and welfare, ex officio, and representatives of non-government organizations or groups, and of state agencies, concerned with the operation, construction or utilization of hospitals, including representatives of the consumers of hospital services selected from among persons familiar with the need for such services in urban or rural areas. The chairman shall be appointed by the governor. Each member shall hold office for a term of 4 years, except that any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which his predecessor was appointed,

shall be appointed for the remainder of such term and the terms of office of the members first taking office shall expire, as designated at the time of appointment, 1 at the end of the 1st year, 2 at the end of the 2nd year, 2 at the end of the 3rd year, 2 at the end of the 4th year, after the date of appointment. Council members, while serving on business of the council, shall receive no compensation but shall be entitled to receive actual and necessary travel and subsistence expenses while so serving away from their places of residence. The council shall meet as frequently as the chairman deems necessary but not less than once each year. Upon request by 2 or more members, it shall be the duty of the commissioner to call a meeting of the council.'

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund of the state the sum of \$7,500 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948, and the sum of \$7,500 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1949, to carry out the provisions of sections 25-A to 25-C, inclusive.