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CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary. Presented by Senator Williams of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-NINE

AN ACT to Provide for the Creation of a Liquor Research Commission.

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

Sec. 1. Liquor research commission, created. The governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall appoint a liquor research commission consisting of 7 members and shall designate its chairman. Consideration in naming the commission shall be given to all interests concerned.

Sec. 2. Duties. Said commission shall make as complete and accurate a study as possible of the physiological, psychological, economic and social effects of the use of alcoholic beverages in this state. It shall study the latest methods used in the treatment and rehabilitation of alcoholics. It shall study to determine what institutions should be used or established for the care and rehabilitation of alcoholics. It shall study to determine what educational methods and programs should be used in the schools concerning alcohol.

Sec. 3. Report. The liquor research commission shall file a report with the 95th legislature and make available to the public the studies and recommendations, together with any proposed legislation necessary to carry such recommendations into effect.

Sec. 4. Compensation; expenses. Said commissioners shall receive \$10

per day compensation and shall be reimbursed for travel, clerical hire and actual expenses; excepting, however, the chairman, who shall receive as compensation such amount as the governor and council shall determine as adequate compensation for the service performed, and he shall be reimbursed for travel, clerical hire and actual expenses.

Sec. 5. Appropriation. There shall be appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of the general fund the sum of \$5,000, annually to carry out the provisions of this act.

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