

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 541

House of Representatives, February 10, 1953.

Referred to Committee on Public Health. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Senter of Brunswick.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-THREE

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**AN ACT to Establish a State Committee on Aging.**

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

**Sec. 1. A state committee on aging created.** The governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall appoint a committee of 7 members, consisting of 1 each from the house of representatives, the senate, the department of health and welfare, and 4 representative citizens, and shall designate the chairman.

**Sec. 2. Duties of the committee.** The state committee on aging shall study all the problems, both of the state itself and its people, which arise with the tremendous increase in members and changed attitudes towards our older citizens. The committee shall find out and tabulate all present resources and good practices. It shall also offer concrete suggestions for a long range program, and wherever possible get it started, so that the ever enlarging group of older men and women may become useful to each other and a blessing, not a burden, to the state.

A report of the committee's activities and findings shall be made to the governor and legislature not later than January 31, 1954.

**Sec. 3. Time of meeting; expenses.** Said committee shall meet at the place designated by and at the call of the chairman, not less than 6 times a

year, for the promotion of its objectives. The members shall be paid necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

**Sec. 4. Appropriation.** There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of \$2,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954 to the said committee, to be expended in the promotion of its objectives and in the payment of necessary office work and material and the necessary expenses of the committee.