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S. P. 23

In Senate, January 10, 1957

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Sinclair of Somerset.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Directing Review of Election Laws.

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

Sec. 1. Review of election laws. The Secretary of State is authorized, during the fiscal years commencing July 1, 1957 and terminating June 30, 1959, to study the present general provisions of the statutes relating to elections and in particular Chapters 3 to 9, inclusive, of the Revised Statutes, and to report to the next regular session of the Legislature such changes and amendments as may be necessary or desirable to consolidate such statutes so as to make such statutes more readily understandable, workable and useful to the persons affected thereby. For this purpose the Secretary of State may employ such technical and clerical assistance as may be necessary.

Sec. 2. Advisory Committee. The Secretary of State is authorized to appoint an Advisory Committee of not more than 15 persons to consult with him and advise during the progress of such study; the members of such Committee to be compensated for the time spent in attendance at meetings of the Committee at the rate of \$10 per day and actual expenses incurred. Members of the Committee who are state employees or officials shall receive no per diem compensation but shall receive only their actual expenses.

Sec. 3. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of the general fund of the State the sum of \$15,000 to carry out the purposes of this Act, and said sum shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account until the purposes of this Act have been accomplished.