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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

## Ninety-fourth Legislature

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE

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sion 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.

Effective August 6, 1949

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## Chapter 214

### AN ACT to Appropriate Moneys to Continue the Cost of Living Increases of State Employees.

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, because of the increase in the cost of living, salaries of state employees are inadequate; and

Whereas, many have and will be obliged to take employment elsewhere unless relief is given to meet the aforesaid increased cost of living; and

Whereas, because of said inadequate salaries, suitable replacements cannot be obtained; and

Whereas, the efficiency of the administration of the state affairs in all departments is vitally affected; and

Whereas, efficient administration is vital for the well-being of the state and all citizens; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the constitution of Maine, and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

**Sec. 1. Continuation of cost of living increases for state employees.**

Beginning July 1, 1949, there is hereby appropriated such sums as may be required by the respective departments of state government so as to continue in effect the \$7.20 cost of living increases as were effective during the years 1947-48 and 1948-49.

**Sec. 2. Intent.** It is the intent of the legislature to continue the provisions of chapter 188 of the private and special laws of 1947.

**Sec. 2-A. Unit increases.** Beginning July 1, 1949 and continuing through June 30, 1950, there shall be appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of the general fund such sums as may be required by the respective departments of state government so as to provide for all full-time state employees or substitutes therefor a further salary increase of \$3 per week. Authority is hereby granted for the same increase to be provided for employees paid from funds other than the general fund, the same to be financed from the individual funds involved. The provisions of this section shall not apply to salaries which are set by the legislature or approved by the governor and council. It is the intent of the legislature under the provisions of this section to provide for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1950 a substitute for the so-called \$3-\$4-\$5 increases as granted by the personnel board on October 4, 1948 and as continued by the provisions of chapter 21 of the resolves of 1949.

**Sec. 3. Limitation.** The provisions of this act shall cease to be effective on September 1, 1951.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.

Effective, May 7, 1949