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Chapter 178

AN ACT to Create a State Committee on Mental Health.

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

Sec. 1. A State Committee on Mental Health created. The Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council, shall appoint a committee of 7 members, consisting of one each from the House of Representatives, the Senate and 5 representative citizens, and shall designate the Chairman.

Sec. 2. Duties of the Committee. The State Committee on Mental Health shall continue the study of Mental Health in Maine begun by the Maine Citizens Committee on the Survey of State Government. It shall provide leadership and stimulation, at the state level, for the many organizations that are interested in the problems of mental health. It shall report to the Governor and Members of the 99th Legislature not later than January 1, 1959.

Sec. 3. Authority to appoint subcommittees. The State Committee on Mental Health is hereby authorized to organize subcommittees to assist in carrying out the provisions of section 2.

Sec. 4. Time of meetings; expenses. Said Committee shall meet at the place designated by and at the call of the Chairman, not less than 6 times during the biennium. The members shall be paid necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

Sec. 5. Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of \$2,500 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1958 to the said Committee, to be expended in the promotion of its objectives and in payment of necessary office work and material and necessary expenses of the Committee. Such appropriation shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account until June 30, 1959.

Effective August 28, 1957

Chapter 179

AN ACT Directing Review of Settlement Laws.

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

Sec. 1. Committee. The Governor is authorized to appoint a Committee of not more than 15 persons, representing the State, municipalities and the public generally, to study the present general provisions of the statutes relating to ac-

quired settlements subjecting municipalities to pay for the support of persons on account of their poverty or distress. The Governor shall designate a Chairman. The members of the Committee shall be paid necessary expenses actually incurred in attending such meeting as shall be called by the Chairman.

Sec. 2. Report and assistance. The Committee shall report to the next regular session of the Legislature such changes and amendments as may appear to be necessary or desirable to eliminate the confusion and controversies between municipality and municipality, and between municipality and State, which arise in determining the settlements of persons. For this purpose the Committee may employ such technical and clerical assistance as it may deem necessary.

Sec. 3. Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of the general fund the sum of \$10,000 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.

Effective August 28, 1957

Chapter 180

AN ACT to Reactivate a Maine Committee on Problems of the Mentally Retarded.

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

Sec. 1. Maine Committee on Problems of Mentally Retarded, reactivated. The Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council, shall appoint a committee of 11 members, consisting of one each from the House of Representatives, the Senate, the Department of Education, and 8 representative citizens, and shall designate the chairman.

Sec. 2. Duties of Committee. The Maine Committee on Problems of the Mentally Retarded shall continue the study of Maine's mentally retarded begun by the Citizens Committee on Problems of the Mentally Retarded. The Committee shall provide leadership and stimulation, at the State and local level, for the many organizations that are interested in the problems of the mentally retarded in Maine. It shall distribute materials, provide information and furnish speakers at request. It shall report to the Governor and Members of the 99th Legislature not later than January, 1959.

Sec. 3. Authority to appoint subcommittees. The Maine Committee on Problems of the Mentally Retarded is hereby authorized to organize subcommittees to assist in carrying out the provisions of section 2.

Sec. 4. Time of meetings; expenses. Said Committee shall meet at the place designated by and at the call of the chairman, not less than 6 times during the biennium. The members shall be paid necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

Sec. 5. Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of \$1,800 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1958 to the said Committee, to be expended in the promotion of its objectives and in payment of necessary office work and material and necessary expenses of the Committee. Such appro-