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STATE LIQUOR COMMISSION, EXPENSES PRIVATE AND SPECIAL, 1967

Chapter 228

AN ACT to Allocate Moneys for the Administrative Expenses of the State Liquor Commission for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1969.

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

Sec. 1. Allocation of Liquor Commission Fund. In order to provide for the necessary expenses for operation and administration of the Maine State Liquor Commission, the following amount, which shall not be exceeded, is allocated from the revenues derived from the operations of the commission:

Personal Services

1968-69

\$2,500

Amounting to \$2,500 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1969.

Upon receipt of allotments duly approved by the Governor and Council based upon work programs submitted to the State Budget Officer, the State Controller shall authorize expenditures from these allocations on the basis of such allotments and not otherwise.

Sec. 2. Legislative intent. It is the intent of the Legislature that the allocation of funds by the Legislature, as provided by this Act, shall apply to the administrative expenses only of the Liquor Commission and that such allocations shall be allotted and approved under provisions of the Revised Statutes of 1964, Title 5, chapters 141 to 155. It is not intended to affect the use of the Working Capital, provided for by the Revised Statutes of 1964, Title 28, section 56, or other activities required of the State Liquor Commission by the Revised Statutes of 1964, Title 28.

It is further the intent of the Legislature that the figures in parentheses shown just before each dollar amount provided for Personal Services in this Act, or as adjusted by other legislative action, shall represent the total number of authorized permanent positions in such account and the maximum number of persons employable on a permanent basis at any one time. The allocations made for Personal Services are made with the proviso that the total number of permanent positions in any account shall not be increased during either year of the biennium over the total numbers shown in parentheses and used by the Legislature in computing the total dollars to be made available for Personal Services. Savings accruing within appropriations made for permanent positions may be used for other personal services when recommended by the department head and the Budget Officer, and approved by the Governor and Council. To provide some degree of flexibility, each department, institution or agency may apply to the Personnel Board for an exchange between job classifications, and such action may be approved if by so doing the total amount determined to be available for Personal Services, in such account, for any one year is not exceeded, and also providing that certification is made, in writing, that such action will not result in an increased request for Personal Service moneys from the Legislature.

The Budget Office, during the next biennium, shall continually review with all departments the status of their personnel with the purpose of determining that all departments are expending Personal Service moneys within the intent

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of the Legislature, and shall report any expenditures contrary to such intent to the Governor and Council.

The Governor and the Budget Officer when next preparing a Budget Document may at their discretion adjust the figures in parentheses, representing numbers of employees, to reflect the number of employees which in their opinion is necessary to the proper operation of each department, institution or agency.

The Personnel Board is directed to require merit ratings on each individual who is recommended for a salary increase on a form prescribed by the board. Department heads are directed that the granting of merit increases be scrutinized and documented carefully. It is the intent of the Legislature that in instances where merit increases are not earned and warranted they should be denied.

Sec. 3. Chapter 151, P. & S. L., 1967. The provisions of Chapter 151 of the private and special laws of 1967, notwithstanding, the State Controller, with the approval of the Governor and Council, may increase the allocations of the Liquor Commission to specifically cover those adjustments determined to be necessary as related to the Employees' Pay Plan.

Sec. 4. R. S., T. 28, § 53, amended. The first sentence of section 53 of Title 28 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

The salary of the chairman of the commission shall be \$3,500 \$11,000 per year and the salary of each of the other members shall be \$5,625 per year, and in addition each member shall be allowed his reasonable expense incurred in the performance of his duties.

Sec. 5. Effective date. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 1968.

Effective July 1, 1968

Chapter 229

AN ACT Relating to Coordination of Public Higher Education.

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

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1865, c. 532, § 1-A, additional. Chapter 532 of the private and special laws of 1865 is amended by adding a new section 1-A, to read as follows:

Sec. I-A. Establishment; purposes. To develop, maintain and support a cohesive structure of public higher education in the State of Maine and in full recognition of the principle that each institution of higher education shall have a proper measure of control over its own operations and that its faculty shall enjoy the academic freedoms traditionally accorded institutions of higher education in teaching, research and expression of opinions, a system unifying the