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districts. The State Planning Office shall in the drafting of this legislation solicit the advice and suggestions of various private and public agencies related to the field of transportation, and the State Highway Commission. The State Planning Office shall include appropriate legislative provisions including the make-up of the governing board, formation of districts, carrying out of all functions related to transportation and the necessary accompanying powers, and relations of the districts to planning and other existing transportation oriented public agencies.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 112

AN ACT Relating to Appointments to the Portland Renewal Authority.

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

P. & S. L., 1951, c. 217, § 4, sub-§ (d), amended. The 2nd paragraph of subsection (d) of section 4 of chapter 217 of the private and special laws of 1951 is amended by adding a new sentence at the end to read as follows:

Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prevent a commissioner from concurrently serving as a commissioner on the Portland Housing Authority.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 113

AN ACT Providing for a Feasibility Study for High Speed Rail Service for Maine.

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

Transportation needs study. The State of Maine authorizes the Maine State Planning Office to undertake a state transportation needs study that will examine the overall issues and problems with the objective of determining various alternatives to current trends, recommending goals for establishment of a balanced system including bus and rail passenger service for local and intercity purposes, and suggesting possible actions that could be taken by the State of Maine and the various agencies concerned with transportation. The transportation needs study shall investigate the possibilities of a high speed rail system or of reestablishment of former rail passenger service under the auspices of the new National Railroad Passenger Corporation along with the analysis connecting bus services that may be required, or both.

The study will take into consideration past studies at all levels of government in the area of Maine transportation needs. The study will not necessitate the appropriation of any state funds.