

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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There shall be established an advisory committee, appointed by the commissioner to consult and advise him in carrying out the administration of section 2551. The committee shall consist of 9 members: One full-time chief and one call or volunteer chief recommended by the Maine Fire Chiefs Association, Inc.; one full-time fire fighter and one call or volunteer fire fighter recommended by the Maine Federation of Fire Fighters, Inc.; one city or town manager and one selectman recommended by the Maine Municipal Association, Inc.; one member of an industrial or institutional fire brigade recommended by the trade; one representative from the field of insurance, recommended by the Maine Fire Chiefs Association, Inc.; and the consultant of the fire service program.

Of the members first appointed, the commissioner shall designate 3 members to serve for one year, 3 members to serve for 2 years and 3 to serve for 3 years. Thereafter, all members shall be appointed for 3 years. The committee shall serve without compensation.

Sec. 3. Present members. The terms of those persons appointed as members of the advisory committee prior to the enactment of this Act, shall expire on the effective date of this Act.

Effective October 24, 1977

## CHAPTER 217

AN ACT to Limit the Duration of Sentences to County Jails.

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

17-A MRSA § 1252, sub-§ 6 is enacted to read:

6. The court may not sentence a person to imprisonment in a county jail for a period in excess of one year.

Effective October 24, 1977

## CHAPTER 218

AN ACT to Provide that Hancock County Commissioners Shall be Elected by Districts.

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

**Sec. 1.** 30 MRSA § 105-D, last ¶, as enacted by PL 1971, c. 86, is amended to read:

Members of the board of commissioners shall be residents of the commissioner district from which they are elected and shall be elected by the residents of that district.

**Sec. 2. Transition.** The transition of the Hancock County district system shall be made in the following manner. In 1978, a commissioner resident in Commissioner District No. 2, shall be elected by the qualified electors of that district. In 1980, a commissioner resident in Commissioner District No. 1, shall be elected by the qualified electors of that district and a commissioner resident in Commissioner District No. 3, shall also be elected by the qualified electors of that district. Thereafter, elections shall continue in a manner so that each district shall at all times have a commissioner elected from that district on the Board of County Commissioners.

Effective October 24, 1977

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## CHAPTER 219

**AN ACT to Require that Androscoggin County Commissioners Live within the District from which they are Elected.**

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

**Sec. 1.** 30 MRSA § 105-I, last ¶, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 544, § 1, is amended to read:

Members of the board of commissioners shall be residents of the Commissioner District which they represent and shall be elected by the qualified voters of ~~the county~~ that district.

**Sec. 2. Transition.** The members of the board of commissioners elected prior to the effective date of this Act shall continue to serve for the term to which they were elected. When the term of a member of the board expires or a vacancy on the board occurs, the qualified voters of the district which that member represented shall elect a member of the board of commissioners. Elections shall continue in a manner so that each district shall at all times have a commissioner elected from that district on the board.

Effective October 24, 1977

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## CHAPTER 220

**AN ACT Concerning Fees of the Board of Chiropractic Examiners.**