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- 3. State Auditor; Secretary of State. The State Auditor and the Secretary of State shall assist the commission in making investigations and in other phases of the commission's duties under this chapter and shall have all necessary powers to carry out such responsibilities.
- 4. Attorney General. The Attorney General shall be counsel for the commission and may examine any witnesses before the commission.
- Sec. 3. 21 MRSA § 1423, sub-§ 1, 1st sentence, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 621, § 10, is amended to read:

On receipt of a written appeal or application requesting an investigation, the commission shall notify the opposing candidate, and shall set a time, date and place for a hearing on the matter.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 338

AN ACT Revising Procedures for Certain Tied Elections.

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

Sec. 1. 21 MRSA § 1122, sub-§ 2, ¶ C is enacted to read:

- C. If there is a tie vote for State Representative or State Senator as finally determined by the proper House pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, Article IV, Part Third, Section 3, the Governor shall issue a proclamation declaring the tie and ordering a special election between the persons tied, as provided in section 1444.
- Sec. 2. 21 MRSA § 1441, 1st ¶ is amended to read:

A vacancy in any state office, county office, in the office of an election official or in any political committee occurs when the incumbent dies, resigns, becomes disqualified or changes his residence to an electoral division other than that from which he was elected; or when the person elected fails to qualify; and when the electorate fails to elect a person to office.

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CHAPTER 339

AN ACT Concerning the Registration of Voters by Justices of the Peace.