

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE**

AS PASSED BY THE

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## CHAPTER 36

S.P. 402 - L.D. 1112

### AN ACT Concerning Programs for the Homeless.

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

Sec. 1. Study commission created. There is created the Commission to Study Social and Health Services for the Homeless.

Sec. 2. Appointment. The commission shall consist of 13 members, as follows: One member of the Senate, appointed by the President of the Senate; 2 members of the House of Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; the Commissioner of Human Services, or his designee; the Commissioner of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, or his designee; the Executive Director of the Maine State Housing Authority, or his designee; and 7 members appointed by the Governor, one representing low income people, one representing community-based programs providing mental health services, one representing drug or alcohol related services, one representing employment services, one representing housing services or other social services for the homeless, one member of the Maine Welfare Directors Association; and one member of the public not associated with any of the above groups.

Sec. 3. Duties. The commission shall undertake a complete study of current community-based programs and services available to the homeless within the State. The study shall focus on the adequacy, effectiveness and availability of those programs and services and the possibility of cooperation and coordination among these programs and services in order to improve the quality of services provided to the homeless.

Sec. 4. Compensation. Members of the commission shall not receive any compensation.

Sec. 5. Reports. The commission shall present its findings, together with any recommended legislation, to the Second Regular Session of the 112th Legislature.

Sec. 6. Receipt of funds, gifts and grants. The commission may receive funds, gifts and grants, from federal, state, local or private sources to assist it

in undertaking the study and expend those funds for assistance, travel and other necessary expenses.

Effective September 19, 1985.

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## CHAPTER 37

S.P. 374 - L.D. 1008

### AN ACT to Annex the Towns of Brunswick and Harpswell to Sagadahoc County.

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

Sec. 1. Annexation. The Towns of Brunswick and Harpswell are removed from Cumberland County and annexed to and made part of Sagadahoc County.

Sec. 2. Obligations to Cumberland County. If this Act is approved by town and county voters of the Towns of Brunswick or Harpswell, the obligations of the towns to Cumberland County, existing on the day this Act is approved by the Legislature, shall continue after the towns are made part of Sagadahoc County. If this Act is approved by all required voters, no obligation of the towns to Cumberland County shall be incurred after this Act is approved by the Legislature.

Sec. 3. Obligations to Sagadahoc County. All obligations of the Towns of Brunswick and Harpswell to the County of Sagadahoc shall begin and shall be prorated as of the effective date of this Act.

Sec. 4. County seat. The City of Bath shall remain the county seat of the County of Sagadahoc.

Referendum. This Act shall take effect 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters in the Towns of Brunswick and Harpswell at the next statewide election, after the effective date of this Act, and warrants shall be issued for that election in the manner now provided by law for the holding of municipal elections, notifying and warning the qualified voters of the town to vote on the approval or rejection of this Act.

The town clerks of Brunswick and Harpswell shall