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CHAPTER 58

H.P. 582 — L.D. 780

AN ACT Regarding the Membership of the Maine Committee on Aging.

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

- Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §5108, as amended by PL 1983, c. 862, §72, is repealed.
 - Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §5108-A is enacted to read:

§5108-A. Committee established; memberships; appointments

The Maine Committee on Aging, established pursuant to Title 5, chapter 379, is an independent agency outside the Department of Human Services.

- 1. Membership, general qualifications. The committee shall be composed of 15 members who shall be citizens of the State. The members shall have an unselfish and demonstrated interest in older people, a knowledge of the status of survival common to the State's elderly and an unwavering allegiance to the challenge of the declaration of a people made by older Americans.
- 2. Appointment; specific qualifications. Members of the committee shall meet the specific qualifications of and shall be appointed as provided in this subsection.
 - A. The Governor shall appoint 13 members who are current leaders of the State's elderly from a number of fields, such as income, health, housing and community and social services, and who have proven experience in private, public and voluntary organizations on the state, regional and community level, such as statewide membership groups, task forces on aging, regional and county councils of older people and municipal level senior citizens clubs.
 - B. At least 2 members of the committee shall be current Members of the Legislature, one from the House of Representatives who shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House and one from the Senate who shall be appointed by the President of the Senate.
 - C. At least 8 members shall be older Americans. An official, employee, consultant or any other individual employed, retained or otherwise compensated by or representative of the executive branch of State Government shall not be a member of the committee.
- 3. Terms and reappointments. Legislative members shall serve during their legislative terms. The other

members shall be appointed for terms of 3 years. Members may be reappointed, but no member may serve more than 2 consecutive full terms of 3 years each. Members may serve after the expiration of their terms until their successors have been appointed and qualified.

- A. The Governor may terminate the appointment of any member of the committee appointed by him for just cause and the reason for the termination of each appointment shall be communicated to each member terminated. The appointment of any member of the committee shall be terminated if a member is absent from 3 consecutive meetings without just cause that is communicated to the chairman.
- 4. Vacancies. Any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which his predecessor was appointed shall be appointed only for the remainder of that term.
 - A. Any vacancy in the committee shall not affect its powers, but shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment was made.
- 5. Chairman; number of meetings. The Governor shall designate the chairman from among the members appointed to the committee. The committee shall meet at the call of the chairman, but not less often than 4 times a year.
- Sec. 3. 22 MRSA §5109, as amended by PL·1973, c. 793, §9, is repealed.

Effective September 29, 1987.

CHAPTER 59

H.P. 706 - L.D. 948

AN ACT Relating to Drinking on Public Beaches.

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

17 MRSA \$2003-A, sub-\$1, ¶D, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 418, \$2, is amended to read:

- D. "Public place" means:
 - (1) A place owned or operated by a governmental entity to which the public at large or a substantial group has access, including but not limited to:
 - (a) Public ways as defined in Title 17-A, section 505;
 - (b) Schools, government-owned custodial facilities; and
 - (c) The lobbies, hallways, lavatories, toilets and basement portions of apartment houses, hotels, public buildings and transportation terminals; and