

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

December 7, 1988 to July 1, 1989

THE GENERAL EFFECTIVE DATE FOR
NON-EMERGENCY LAWS IS
SEPTEMBER 30, 1989

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,
TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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1989

RESOLVES
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1989

5. Participation in the food stamp program, the Supplemental Security Income program, transportation programs for the elderly, the household tax and rent refund program and the elderly low-cost drug program; and be it further

Sec. 2. Membership of commission; appointment. Resolved: That the commission shall consist of 15 members appointed within 30 days of the effective date of this resolve as follows:

1. One member of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate and 2 members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

2. One representative appointed jointly by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives from a list of 3 persons submitted by each of the following: the Maine Committee on Aging, the Maine Hospital Association, the Maine Health Care Association, the Home Care Alliance and the American Association of Retired Persons;

3. Two representatives of companies providing health insurance in the State appointed jointly by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

4. Three members of the general public from various geographic areas of the State, who are at least 60 years old, to be appointed jointly by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

5. One representative of the Department of Human Services, appointed by the commissioner; and

6. One representative of area agencies on aging to be appointed jointly by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and be it further

Sec. 3. Selection of chair; convening of commission. Resolved: That the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall jointly appoint a chair from among the legislative members of the commission. The Executive Director of the Legislative Council shall convene the first meeting within 30 days of appointment of all the members; and be it further

Sec. 4. Report. Resolved: That the commission shall complete its work by December 1, 1990, and present its findings, together with any recommended legislation, to the First Regular Session of the 115th Legislature by December 5, 1990; and be it further

Sec. 5. Assistance. Resolved: That the commission shall request staff assistance from the Legislative Council, except that the Legislative Council shall not provide staff assistance during the Second Regular Session of the 114th Legislature; and be it further

Sec. 6. Compensation. Resolved: That the members of the Legislature shall receive the per diem and expenses as provided in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3,

section 2 and that all members of the commission who are not state employees shall receive reimbursement for expenses upon submission to the Executive Director of the Legislative Council; and be it further

Sec. 7. Appropriation. Resolved: That the following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this resolve.

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Commission to Study the Level of Services for Maine's Elderly Citizens

Personal Services	\$2,475
All Other	12,200

Provides funds for the per diem, meeting and related expenses of the Commission to Study the Level of Services for Maine's Elderly Citizens. These funds shall carry forward to June 30, 1991.

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TOTAL	

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this resolve shall take effect when approved.

Effective July 11, 1989.

CHAPTER 59

H.P. 653 - L.D. 887

Resolve, to Create the Commission to Study Public Financing of State Elections

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, it is necessary for this study to begin during the summer in order to be completed; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore, be it

Commission established; study. Resolved: That there is established the Commission to Study Public Financing of State Elections. The commission shall study the existing method of election financing and explore alternative mechanisms for the public financing of any primary, general or special election for state or county offices; and be it further

Membership; appointment; chair. Resolved: That the commission shall be comprised of the following 13 members to be appointed within 30 days of the effective date of this resolve: six Legislators, 3 of whom shall be Senators to be appointed by the President of the Senate and 3 of whom shall be members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; 6 members to be appointed by the Governor; and one member to be appointed jointly by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, who shall serve as chair of the commission; and be it further

Compensation. Resolved: That the members of the commission who are Legislators shall receive the legislative per diem, as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 2, for days in attendance at commission meetings. All members of the commission shall receive reimbursement for expenses upon application to the Legislative Council; and be it further

Staff assistance. Resolved: That, if assistance is desired, the commission may request necessary staff assistance from the Legislative Council, except that the Legislative Council shall not provide staff assistance during the second regular session of the 114th Legislature; and be it further

Report. Resolved: That the commission submit an interim report to the 114th Legislature by December 1, 1989, and a final report, together with any necessary implementing legislation to the First Regular Session of the 115th Legislature by December 1, 1990; and be it further

Appropriation. Resolved: That the following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this resolve.

1989-90

LEGISLATURE

Study Commissions - Funding

Personal Services	\$3,960
All Other	\$11,400

Provides funds for legislative per diem, meetings and related expenses of the Commission to Study Public Financing of State Elections. These funds shall carry forward to June 30, 1991.

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TOTAL	<u>\$15,360</u>
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Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this resolve shall take effect when approved.

Effective July 12, 1989.