

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
TWO THOUSAND AND THIRTEEN

H.P. 192 - L.D. 231

**An Act To Support the Permanent Commission on the Status of Women**

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

**Whereas,** the Permanent Commission on the Status of Women is in need of funding to print and distribute its required biennial report to the Governor and the Legislature in a timely manner; 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 enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

**Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §7030-C,** as enacted by PL 2009, c. 191, §1, is amended to read:

**§7030-C. Chair**

The Governor shall select from among the members of the commission a chair ~~and a vice chair, both of whom shall serve for one year. These selections must be made each year prior to the first meeting of the commission.~~ The chair is authorized to appoint subcommittees.

**Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §7030-D,** as enacted by PL 2009, c. 191, §1, is amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

The commission may accept funds from the Federal Government, from a political subdivision of the State or from an individual, a foundation or a corporation and may expend funds for purposes that are consistent with this chapter. Funds received under this section must be deposited in a nonlapsing Other Special Revenue Funds account within the Department of the Secretary of State to support the work of the commission.

**Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**SECRETARY OF STATE, DEPARTMENT OF**

**Bureau of Administrative Services and Corporations 0692**

Initiative: Creates the Permanent Commission on the Status of Women account with a base allocation.

<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>2013-14</b>	<b>2014-15</b>
All Other	\$500	\$500
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<u>\$500</u>	<u>\$500</u>

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.