**An Act To Modify the Composition of the Board of Trustees of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy**

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

**Sec.** **1. 25 MRSA §2802, first ¶,** as amended by PL 2019, c. 103, §1, is further amended to read:

There is created a board of trustees for the academy consisting of ~~18~~ 19 members as follows: the Commissioner of Public Safety, ex officio, the Attorney General, ex officio, the Game Warden Colonel in the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, ex officio, the Commissioner of Corrections, ex officio, the Chief of the State Police, ex officio, and the following to be appointed by the Governor: a county sheriff, a chief of a municipal police department, 2 officers of municipal police departments who are not police chiefs, an educator who is not and has never been a sworn member of a law enforcement agency, a criminal prosecutor from one of the offices of the District Attorney, a representative of a federal law enforcement agency, 3 citizens each of whom is not and has never been a sworn member of a law enforcement agency, a municipal official who is not and has never been a sworn member of a law enforcement agency, a county commissioner who is not and has never been a sworn member of a law enforcement agency, one nonsupervisory corrections officer representing a state or county correctional facility and one person knowledgeable about public safety who has been recommended to the Governor by the Wabanaki tribal governments of the Aroostook Band of Micmacs, the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians, the Passamaquoddy Tribe at Motahkmikuk, the Passamaquoddy Tribe at Sipayik and the Penobscot Nation. The member appointed by the Governor based on the recommendation of the Wabanaki tribal governments must be recommended by the tribal governments by a process determined by those governments that provides for the board membership to rotate among the tribal governments.

**SUMMARY**

This bill expands the Board of Trustees of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy from 18 to 19 members by adding as a member a county commissioner who is not and has never been a sworn member of a law enforcement agency.