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**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
130TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 1256, L.D. 1687, “An Act To Improve the Provision of Indigent Legal Services”

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 10 and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 10. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**INDIGENT LEGAL SERVICES, MAINE COMMISSION ON  
Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services Z112**

Initiative: Appropriates funds for the cost of changing the salary range of the executive director from 52 to 37.

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>
Personal Services	\$9,152	\$9,152
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<u>\$9,152</u>	<u>\$9,152</u>

**Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services Z112**

Initiative: Provides additional funding to reflect projected costs of the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services.

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>
All Other	\$2,804,980	\$2,804,980
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<u>\$2,804,980</u>	<u>\$2,804,980</u>

**Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services Z112**

Initiative: Establishes and appropriates funds for 4 Public Service Manager II positions and 2 Paralegal positions to lead and staff the attorney supervision subdivision and the auditing subdivision. Also provides funding for All Other costs.

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	6.000	6.000

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1	Personal Services	\$670,116	\$691,559
2	All Other	\$47,073	\$27,573
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4	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$717,189</u>	<u>\$719,132</u>
5	<b>Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services Z112</b>		
6	Initiative: Appropriates funds to increase reimbursement for indigent legal services from		
7	\$60 per hour to \$80 per hour.		
8	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>
9	All Other	\$5,732,980	\$5,732,980
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11	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$5,732,980</u>	<u>\$5,732,980</u>
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13	<b>INDIGENT LEGAL SERVICES, MAINE</b>		
14	<b>COMMISSION ON</b>		
15	<b>DEPARTMENT TOTALS</b>		
16		<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>
17	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$9,264,301</b>	<b>\$9,266,244</b>
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19	<b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<u><b>\$9,264,301</b></u>	<u><b>\$9,266,244</b></u>

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 21 Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section   
 22 number to read consecutively.

23 **SUMMARY**

24 This amendment is the majority report of the committee. It retains the funding for the   
 25 increase in the salary range for the executive director, raises the reimbursement rate from   
 26 \$60 to \$80 per hour, fully funds the projected costs and funds the basic central office staff   
 27 of 6 additional positions for supervision and auditing.

28 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**   
 29 **(See attached)**

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**