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**An Act to Implement Recommendations Resulting from the State
Government Evaluation Act Review of the Department of
Professional and Financial Regulation**

Reported by Representative ROBERTS of South Berwick for the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 955, subsection 4.

Reference to the Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business suggested and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

Handwritten signature of Robert B. Hunt in cursive.

ROBERT B. HUNT

Clerk

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

2 **Sec. 1. 2 MRSA §6, sub-§2**, as amended by PL 2019, c. 343, Pt. XXX, §1, is further
3 amended to read:

4 **2. Range 90.** The salaries of the following state officials and employees are within
5 salary range 90:

6 Superintendent of Financial Institutions;

7 Superintendent of Consumer Credit Protection;

8 State Tax Assessor;

9 Associate Commissioner for Tax Policy, Department of Administrative and Financial
10 Services;

11 Superintendent of Insurance;

12 Executive Director of the Maine Consumer Choice Health Plan;

13 Two deputy commissioners, Department of Administrative and Financial Services;

14 Deputy Commissioner, Department of Corrections;

15 Public Advocate;

16 Two deputy commissioners, Department of Health and Human Services;

17 Chief Information Officer;

18 Associate Commissioner, Department of Corrections;

19 Chief of the State Police;

20 Securities Administrator, Office of Securities; ~~and~~

21 Director, Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation; ~~and~~

22 Deputy Commissioner, Department of Professional and Financial Regulation.

23 **Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §934, sub-§1, ¶D**, as amended by PL 2001, c. 182, §2, is further
24 amended to read:

25 ~~D. Assistant to the~~ Deputy Commissioner; and

26 **Sec. 3. 10 MRSA §8002, first ¶**, as amended by PL 2011, c. 1, Pt. AA, §1, is further
27 amended to read:

28 The Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation, referred to in this chapter
29 as the "commissioner," is the chief administrative officer of the department and is
30 responsible for supervising the administration of the department. The commissioner is
31 appointed by the Governor, subject to review by the joint standing committee of the
32 Legislature having jurisdiction over banking and insurance matters, and to confirmation by
33 the Legislature. The commissioner serves at the pleasure of the Governor. ~~Unless~~ Except
34 as provided in subsection 13 or unless otherwise provided in law, the commissioner may
35 not exercise or interfere with the exercise of discretionary regulatory authority granted by
36 statute to the bureaus, offices, boards or commissions within and affiliated with the
37 department. As chief administrative officer of the department, the commissioner has the
38 following duties and authority to:

1 public hearing and subsequent processing in the normal course. The committee is taking
2 this action to ensure clarity and transparency in the legislative review of the proposals
3 contained in the bill.