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Presented by Mr. Haughn of Bridgton.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Officers of the Legislature.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 10, § 4, amended. Section 4 of chapter 10 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by sections 2 and 3 of chapter 482 of the public laws of 1955, is further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 4. Secretary and assistant secretary of the Senate; salaries and duties. The Secretary of the Senate shall, when the Senate is not in session, be the executive officer of the Senate and have custody of all Senate property and materials, arrange for necessary supplies and equipment through the State Bureau of Purchases, arrange for necessary service and make all arangements for incoming sessions of the Senate, having general oversight of chambers and rooms occupied by the Senate, permit state departments to use Senate property, dispose of surplus or obsolete material through the continuing property record section of the Bureau of Public Improvements, with the approval of the President of the Senate, and approve accounts for payment. The Secretary of the Senate shall maintain a perpetual inventory of all Senate property of items costing over \$50 and make an accounting to the Senate upon request.

The Secretary of the Senate shall perform the usual duties of the office during the sessions of the Legislature, file and index all papers, which have been subject to adverse legislative action, index and supervise the preparation of the permanent senate journal. He shall also perform the duties required of him by sections 3 and 5. He shall also deliver to the Librarian of the State Library all papers on file in the office of the Secretary of the Senate which were considered by a session of the Legislature held more than 10 years previously, and the State Librarian shall inspect said papers and preserve all those having any historical or permanent value. He shall receive a salary of \$5,000 \$7,000 in full for all official services by him performed during the regular session of the Legislature and a salary at the rate of \$1,100 a year when the Legislature is not in session.

The assistant secretary of the Senate shall receive a salary of \$2,800; his \$4,000. His work shall be performed under the direction of the secretary.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 10, § 7, amended. Section 7 of chapter 10 of the Revised Statutes, as last amended by chapter 252 of the public laws of 1959, is further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 7. Clerk and assistant clerk of the house; salaries and duties. The Clerk of the House of Representatives shall perform the usual duties of his office during the session of the Legislature and index the house journal. In the months of November and December next preceding the convening of the regular sessions of the Legislature, he shall keep open his office each Wednesday and Thursday for the convenience of the public and members-elect of the Legislature. He shall when the Legislature is not in session be the executive officer of the Legislature, and unless the Legislature otherwise order, have custody of all legislative property and material, arrange for necessary supplies and equipment through the State Bureau of Purchases, arrange for necessary service, make all arrangements for incoming sessions of the Legislature, have general oversight of chambers and rooms occupied by the Legislature, permit state departments to use legislative property, dispose of surplus or obsolete material through the continuing property record section of the Bureau of Public Improvements with the approval of the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate and approve accounts for payment. The clerk shall maintain a perpetual inventory of all legislative property of items costing over \$50 and make an accounting to the Legislature upon request. He shall also perform the services required of him by sections 6 and 8. He shall receive a salary of \$5,000 for the year in which the Legislature is in regular session \$7,000 in full for all official services by him performed during the regular session of the Legislature and a salary at the rate of \$1,000 for the year in which \$3,000 a year when the Legislature is not in regular session.

The assistant clerk of the House of **Representatives** shall receive a salary of \$2,800; his \$4,000. His work shall be performed under the direction of the clerk.'

Sec. 3. Effective date. This act shall be retroactive to January 1, 1961.

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