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EDWIN H. PERT. Clerk

Presented by Mr. Hobbins of Saco.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT to Increase the Amount which the District Court is Allowed to Deposit each Month into the District Court Building Fund from \$3,000 to \$10,000.

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

4 MRSA § 163, sub-§ 3, 2nd sentence, is amended to read:

The sum of \$3,000 \$10,000 per month shall be deposited in this fund until the Chief Judge certifies to the Treasurer of State that physical facilities for the District Court throughout the State are such that further deposits in said special building fund are no longer necessary.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Under present statute, the District Court is allowed to deposit up to \$3,000 per month out of fines, bail forfeitures and fees into the District Court Building Fund. This fund is used for building, remodeling and furnishing of quarters for the District Court. This amount has remained the same since 1964, even though the high rate of inflation has vastly decreased its purchasing power. Recognizing this inflation, this bill increases the allowable monthly deposit from \$3,000 to \$10,000.