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#### FIRST REGULAR SESSION

## ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

# Legislative Document

No. 1140

H. P. 926 House of Representatives, March 12, 1979 Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. D. Carter of Winslow. Cosponsor: Mr. Morton of Farmington.

### STATE OF MAINE

# IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT to Transfer the Cost of Witness Fees for Superior Court from County Budget to the State.

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

Sec. 1. 4 MRSA § 26 is enacted to read:

§ 26. Reimbursement of counties for witness fees and expenses

The Judicial Department shall, each quarter, reimburse each county for the fees and expenses paid by that county during the previous quarter to witnesses in criminal, juvenile and civil violation cases. The Judicial Department shall include sufficient funds for this reimbursement within its operating budget.

Sec. 2. Effective date. This Act shall take effect January 1, 1980.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is reflected in the title.