

SIXTIETH LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

No. 35.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE.

AN ACT to amend section twenty-two of chapter one hundred and twenty-two of the revised statutes, relating to witness fees, and false certificates.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

Section twenty-two of chapter one hundred and 2 twenty-two of the revised statutes, is hereby 3 amended, by inserting after the word "did" in the 4 fifth line, the following: "or certifies that he at-5 tended as such for more than one party in any 6 case." Also by striking out the word "exceeding," 7 in the sixth line, and inserting the words "less 8 than," so that said section as amended shall read 9 as follows:

10 Sect. 22. If any person for performing any ser-11 vice or official duty, for which the pay is fixed by

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12 law, wilfully and corruptly demands and receives, 13 or takes security for any greater sum than is legal; 14 or if any witness falsely and corruptly certifies, that 15 as such he travelled more miles or attended more 16 days than he actually did, or certifies that he at-17 tended as such for more than one party in the same 18 case, he shall be punished by a fine not less than 19 thirty dollars for each offense, to be recovered to 20 the use of the state by indictment found within one 21 year after the offence is committed, or by action of 22 debt commenced within the same time, to the use 23 of the person suing therefor in his own name.

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In SENATE, February 9, 1881.

Reported by Mr. MORTLAND, from the Committee on the Judiciary, laid on the table to be printed under the Joint Rules. C. W. TILDEN, Secretary.