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Sixty-Third Legislature.

HOUSE. No. 14.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend chapter three hundred and four of the Public Laws of 1885, relating to the Records and Indexes in the Registries of Deeds, which act amended section fourteen, chapter seven of the Revised Statutes.

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

Section 1. Chapter 304 of the Public Laws of

- 2 1885 is hereby amended by striking out the words
- 3 "county commissioners" in the fifth line thereof,
- 4 and inserting the word 'and,' also by striking out
- 5 the words "March ten, eighteen hundred and
- 6 eighty-six" in the tenth line thereof, and inserting
- 7 the words 'within one year from the approval of

8 this act,' also by striking out the remainder of said 9 section down to the words "provided, however," 10 and inserting the words 'and shall revise said 11 alphabetical indexes as often as once a year, for 12 which they shall receive reasonable compensation, 13 to be approved by the county commissioners of 14 their respective counties, and drawn from the county 15 treasury.' So that said section as amended shall 16 read as follows:

'Sect. 14. The records in each registry office 18 shall be made on paper of a fine texture, well sized 19 and finished, the principal ingredient of which is The registers shall make an alphabetical 20 linen. 21 index to each volume of records, without charge 22 to the county, and shall make all additional volumes 23 of indexes in the form known as ledger indexes, so 24 that the same surnames shall be recorded together 25 in each volume of indexes, and shall change all 26 volumes of indexes not heretofore revised to said 27 form within one year from the approval of this act, 28 and shall revise said alphabetical index as often as 29 once a year, for which they shall receive a reason-30 able compensation, to be approved by the county 31 commissioners of their respective counties, and 32 drawn from the county treasury. Provided, how-33 ever, that the county commissioners of the county

34 of York are not obliged to change such indexes for 35 any volume of records completed before January 36 1st, 1760, and the county commissioners of the 37 county of Lincoln before January 1st, 1860.'

STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, January 19, 1887.

Reported from Committee on Judiciary by Mr. BARKER of Bangor; ordered printed under ioint rules.

NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, Clerk.