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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Salaries of Members of Supreme Judicial Court and
the Organization of the Superior Court.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 91, § 4, amended. The 1st sentence of section 4 of chapter 91 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'The justices of the supreme judicial court shall each receive an annual salary of ~~\$11,000~~ \$15,000, and the chief justice of the supreme judicial court shall receive an annual salary of ~~\$12,000~~ \$18,000.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 94, § 1, amended. Section 1 of chapter 94 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'**Sec. 1. Constitution of the court.** The superior court, as heretofore established, shall consist of ~~7~~ 9 justices, and such active retired justices as may be appointed and serving on said court, learned in the law and of sobriety of manners. Said 9 justices shall be enrolled members of either of the 2 political parties having the highest number of enrollments in the state, but at no time shall there be more than 7 of said justices enrolled in the same political party. The chief justice of the supreme judicial court

shall assign the justices of the superior court to hold the trial terms of said court. Whenever in the opinion of the chief justice of the supreme judicial court it becomes necessary, he may designate a justice of the supreme judicial court or any active retired justice of the supreme judicial court or the superior court to hold a term of said superior court or may designate any of such justices or a justices of the superior court to hold one or more sessions thereof separate from the session presided over by the justice holding the regular trial term.'