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### ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

# One Hundred and Fifth Legislature

OF THE

## STATE OF MAINE

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### PUBLIC LAWS

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#### Chapter 251

AN ACT Relating to the Transition to the Somerset County Commissioner Districts.

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

P. L., 1969, c. 352, § 2, amended. The 2nd and 3rd sentences of section 2 of chapter 352 of the public laws of 1969 are amended to read as follows:

In 1972 District 2 3 shall elect a commissioner.

In 1974 District 3 2 shall elect a commissioner.

Effective September 23, 1971

#### Chapter 252

AN ACT Relating to Compensation of Municipalities for the Loss of Services of Municipal Law Enforcement Officials.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 4, § 173, sub-§ 4, amended. The last sentence of the 4th paragraph of subsection 4 of section 173 of Title 4 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 244 of the public laws of 1967, and as amended by section 2 of chapter 521 of the public laws of 1967, is repealed as follows:

The Treasurer of State shall pay the municipality a flat fee of \$20 each day the latter's police officers or constables are required to attend the District Court

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 4, § 173, sub-§ 4, amended. Subsection 4 of section 173 of Title 4 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding a new paragraph at the end to read as follows:

The Treasurer of State shall pay any municipality a flat fee of \$20 for each day or part thereof that a municipal law enforcement officer, designated by the municipality as its court officer, is required to be physically present in a District Court House in order to adequately handle such municipality's case load. In addition, the Treasurer of State shall pay any municipality a flat fee of \$20 per day for every day or part thereof, but no more than \$20 for any one day, such municipality loses the services of one or more law enforcement officers because such officer or officers are performing some act authorized or required by a District Court Rule of Criminal Procedure or is a witness in a criminal case within the jurisdiction of the District Court. A municipality shall be deemed to have lost the services of a law enforcement officer when such officer, who normally performs duties of patrolling or maintaining order, is physically unable to perform those duties of patrolling and maintaining order for such municipality.