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January 24, 1941

Mr. William D. Hayes, State Auditor, Augusta, Naine.

Dear Sir:-

Date of Effectiveness of State Police Compensation Schedule as Set Forth in P.L. 1939, Chapter 272.

Upon the request of the Department of Audit, I hand you the following ruling:-

Section 2 of the above act specifies that members of the State Police shall receive compensation as set forth in the act "upon approval of the act". The act was approved on April 20, 1939, the day of Legislative adjournment. Inasmuch as no emergency clause was applied the act became effective on July 20, 1939, and was retroactive from that date to April 20, 1939, the date of approval. On July 20, 1939, the compensation of the State Police members was established as set forth in the act and in addition there was due the various members the weekly increases, if any, necessary to bring their compensation into agreement with the provisions of the act, for the number of weeks elapsed since April 20, 1939. Periodic increases as specified in the act date from April 20, 1939.

Very truly yours,

Attorney General.

c.c. John W. Healy, Chief of State Police Harold E. Rodgers, State Controller.