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To Board of Registration of Voters, Bangor, Maine

In reply to your letter of September 21st, you are advised that under the provisions of Section 24, Chapter 6, Revised Statutes of 1930, the compensation of the President of the Board and of the other two members, as fixed by the law, is for that time during which the Board is officially in session for the revision or correction of the voting lists and for completing the records thereof. That is to say, that the compensation shall apply to the time when the Board is sitting more or less in a quasi-judicial capacity, performing its duty with respect to eligibility and qualification of voters and completing the records pertaining to such eligibility and qualification. The compensation fixed by State law does not apply to the activities of the Board at such other times as it may be performing its strictly administrative duties, such as the preparation of the lists that are required by law.

The foregoing gives you the principle so far as this office is able to state the same as to the distinction between the services performed by the Board of Registration of Voters. Any question as to whether or not a particular activity belongs in the former category or the latter category should be referred to the Corporation Counsel or City Solicitor for your guidance.

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