

ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary Presented by Senator Hinds of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-THREE

AN ACT Providing Expense Reimbursement for Members of the Legislature.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, Legislators suffer great financial sacrifices while attending the Legislature; and

Whereas, the Legislators should be reimbursed at least in part for their expenses in such attendance; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine, and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 10, § 2, amended. The first paragraph of section 2 of chapter 10 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding a new sentence at the end to read as follows:

'Each member of the Senate and House of Representatives shall be reimbursed for expense, other than travel, in attending the daily sessions of the Legislature in the amount of \$10 for each day in attendance.'

Sec. 2. Effective date. This act shall be retroactive to January 2, 1963.

Sec. 3. Appropriation. There shall be appropriated to the Legislative Appropriation from the General Fund the sum of \$150,000 to carry out the purposes of this act.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.