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SECOND SPECIAL SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1813

S. P. 755

In Senate, January 9, 1968

Referred to Committee on State Government. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

JERROLD B. SPEERS, Secretary

Presented by Senator Ferguson of Oxford.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-EIGHT

**AN ACT to Create the Posts of Assistant County Attorney in Oxford County
and in Somerset County.**

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 30, § 2, amended. The 10th and 14th paragraphs of section 2 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, are further amended to read as follows:

Oxford County: County commissioners, \$1,950; chairman, \$2,150; clerk of courts, \$4,500; county attorney, \$5,000; **assistant county attorney, \$4,500;** county treasurer, \$3,000; sheriff, \$5,500; register of deeds, eastern district, \$4,500; western district, \$2,700; judge of probate, \$4,200; register of probate \$4,400.

Somerset County: County commissioners, \$1,000; chairman, \$1,200; clerk of courts, \$5,150; county attorney, \$5,000; **assistant county attorney, \$4,500;** county treasurer, \$2,325; sheriff, \$4,950; register of deeds, \$4,950; judge of probate, \$4,950; register of probate, \$4,950.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 30, §§ 559-560, additional. Title 30 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding 2 new sections, 559 and 560, to read as follows:

§ 556.—Oxford County

The county attorney of the County of Oxford may appoint an assistant, who shall be a resident of the county and duly admitted to the practice of law in this State, to be approved by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, and who shall hold office during the term of the county attorney by whom he was appointed, subject to removal at any time by the Chief Justice of the Supreme

Judicial Court. Said assistant shall take the oath prescribed for county attorney and shall assist the county attorney in the ordinary duties of his office, in the drawing of indictments, in the hearing of complaints before the grand jury, and in the preparation and trial of criminal causes. He shall, when directed by the county attorney, act as counsel for the State in the trial of complaints before Judges of the District Court.

§ 560.—Somerset County

The county attorney of the County of Somerset may appoint an assistant, who shall be a resident of the county and duly admitted to the practice of law in this State, to be approved by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, and who shall hold office during the term of the county attorney by whom he was appointed, subject to removal at any time by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court. Said assistant shall take the oath prescribed for county attorney and shall assist the county attorney in the ordinary duties of his office, in the drawing of indictments, in the hearing of complaints before the grand jury, and in the preparation and trial of criminal causes. He shall, when directed by the county attorney, act as counsel for the State in the trial of complaints before Judges of the District Court.

Sec. 3. **Appropriation.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Attorney General the sum of \$9,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1969 to carry out the purpose of this Act. The breakdown shall be as follows:

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ATTORNEY GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF	
County Attorneys' Salaries	
Personal Services	(2) \$9,000

Sec. 4. **Effective date.** This Act shall take effect on July 1, 1968.