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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A " to S. P. 228 L. D. 674, Bill, "AN ACT Increasing Fees of Witnesses in the Courts."

Amend said Bill in the Title by inserting at the end, before the period, the following: 'and Relating to Expert Witness Fees as Court Costs'

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of the 2nd sentence of the 2nd paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following: 'The court in its discretion may allow at the trial of any cause, civil or criminal, in said Supreme Judicial Court or the Superior Court, a reasonable sum not-exceeding-\$50-per-day for the each day's attendance of any expert witness or witnesses at said trial, in taxing the costs of the prevailing party, ~~except-that~~ and the expense of all expert witnesses for the State in murder cases shall be ~~insueh-amounts as-the-presiding-justice-shall-allow-and-shall-be~~ paid by the State and charged against the appropriation for the Department of the Attorney General.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to delete the protion of the bill raising expert witness fees to \$100 and incorporating the changes illustrated in L. D. 694 as they apply to expert witnesses.

Reported by the Committee on JUDICIARY.

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