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## ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

No. 1034

H. P. 768

Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. McCloskey of Bangor.

### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Providing for Law Research Clerks for the Judiciary.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 4, § 10-A, additional. Title 4 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 10-A, to read as follows:

#### § 10-A. Law clerks

The Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court shall appoint annually 6 persons to act as law research clerks to the Supreme Judicial Court of Maine. Said persons must be graduates of accredited law schools at the time of their appointment.

The Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court shall be responsible for the hiring, removal and assignment of said clerks, and may assign said clerks from time to time to assist the various Justices of the Superior Court.

Said law clerks shall be paid an annual salary of \$8,500.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund the sum of \$89,250 to carry out the purposes of this Act. The breakdown shall be as follows:

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\$51,000

SUPREME JUDICIAL AND SUPERIOR COURTS

Personal Services (6) \$38,250 (6)

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to provide law clerks for the judiciary for the speedier and more efficient administration of justice.