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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
106TH LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 1380, L. D. 1861, Bill,
"AN ACT Providing Full-time Prosecuting Attorneys and Public
Defenders."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of section 3 and
inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 3. R. S., T. 5, §§200-C - 200-F, additional. Title 5
of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding 4 new sections,
200-C to 200-F to read as follows:

§200-C. District attorneys; duties

The Attorney General shall appoint 13 full-time district
attorneys whose primary responsibility shall be to prosecute
crimes and offenses. Said district attorneys shall have
state-wide jurisdiction, but shall be assigned with primary
responsibility to the various counties and to the judicial
divisions and districts created under Title 4, sections 153 and
154, as the Attorney General deems necessary. Said district
attorneys shall hold their positions and shall be compensated
in the same manner as assistant attorneys general.

The duties of said district attorneys shall include all the
duties involving both civil and criminal proceedings on behalf
of the State that were imposed upon the county attorneys at the
effective date of this Act.

Said district attorneys shall be or shall become and shall
remain residents of the counties or judicial divisions or

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districts of their primary responsibility.

§200-D. Proceedings on defaulted bail

Said district attorneys shall institute proceedings against sureties on any recognizance upon which the principal and sureties have been defaulted, before the term next succeeding that at which such default was entered upon the docket of the court, unless by order in open court the presiding justice shall grant a delay in proceedings against such sureties.

§200-E. Additional district attorneys

The Attorney General shall appoint such other district attorneys as he deems necessary to carry out section 200-A. Such other district attorneys may be employed on a part-time basis, at the discretion of the Attorney General.

§200-F. Office space for prosecutors

The various counties shall provide office space to the Attorney General for carrying out the purposes of this chapter. Such office space may include, but shall not be limited to, the office space currently being provided by the counties to the county attorneys.'

Further amend said Bill in section 12 by striking out in the 5th line (same in L. D.) the words "assistant attorney general" and inserting in place thereof the words 'district attorney'; and by striking out in the 7th and 8th lines (7th in L. D.) the words "assistant attorney general" and inserting in place thereof the words 'district attorney'; and by striking out in the 4th and 5th lines of the 2nd paragraph (5th line in L. D.)

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thereof the words /^{'a}district attorney'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment changes the title of assistant attorneys general to district attorneys and clarifies the manner in which they shall hold office and be compensated.

Reported by the Committee on State Government (Report "A").

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