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#### FIRST REGULAR SESSION

### ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

# **Legislative Document**

No. 1032

S. P. 344

In Senate, March 8, 1979

Referred to the Committee on Local and County Government. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

Presented by Senator Emerson of Penobscot.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate

## STATE OF MAINE

# IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE

### AN ACT to Provide Additional Assistance to the County Law Libraries.

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

**Sec. 1. 27 MRSA § 224, 2nd to 17th ¶¶**, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 120 and as amended, are further amended to read:

Androscoggin, \$9,500 \$13,500;

Aroostook, \$5,600 shall be for the use and benefit of the county law library in the court house at Houlton and \$3,000 shall be for the use and benefit of the county law library in the court house at Caribou in said county;

Aroostook-Houlton, \$12,000;

Aroostook-Caribou, \$4,000;

Cumberland, \$10,000 \$15,000 which shall be paid to the treasurer of the Cumberland Bar Association for the Nathan and Henry B. Cleaves Law Library;

Franklin, \$5,000 \$7,500;

Hancock, \$7,000 \$12,000;

Kennebec, \$6,000 \$10,000;

Knox, \$3,500 \$6,500;

Lincoln, \$4,500 \$10.000:

Oxford, \$3,000 shall be for the use and benefit of the county law library at South Paris and \$3,500 shall be for the use and benefit of the county law library at Rumford:

Oxford-South Paris, \$5,000:

Oxford-Rumford \$4,500;

Penobscot, \$10,000 \$15,000;

Piscataquis, \$3,500 \$8,000;

Sagadahoc, \$4,250 \$4,500;

Somerset, \$6.500 \$15,000:

Waldo, \$3,500 \$5,000;

Washington, \$3,800 \$6,000;

York, \$5,000 \$9,000.

**Sec. 2. Appropriation.** The following funds shall be appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

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#### JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

Unallocated

\$65,350

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

The rapid increase in the cost of replacement volumes and supplements for the existing volumes in the law library collections and the recent complete revision of a number of basic access tools and treatises has resulted in these libraries spending more then their appropriations in order to maintain the existing contents of the libraries. These moneys are needed to pay the deficits incurred because of past insufficient appropriations and to allow the libraries to maintain the usefulness of their present collections.