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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
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5 Legislative Document

No. 443

7 S.P. 152

In Senate, February 1, 1983

8 Referred to the Committee on Judiciary, sent down for concurrence and
9 ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 24.

10 JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator Trafton of Androscoggin.

Cosponsor: Representative Drinkwater of Belfast.

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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
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17 AN ACT to Remove Reference to Deputy
18 Clerks under the District Court Laws.
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20 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
21 follows:

22 4 MRSA §159, as amended by PL 1973, c. 83, is
23 further amended to read:

24 §159. Clerks, clerical assistants; appointment; com-
25 ensation

26 For each division and for the office of the Chief
27 Judge, the Chief Judge shall appoint such clerks and
28 deputy clerks and employ such clerical assistants as
29 may be necessary. Clerks, deputy clerks and clerical
30 assistants shall be compensated as determined by the
31 Chief Judge. If the business of any division does not
32 require the full-time service of a clerk, the Chief
33 Judge may appoint a part-time clerk for such divi-

1 sion. Whenever the clerk is unable to perform the
2 duties of his office or so directs, his deputy designee
3 shall have all the power and perform all the
4 duties of clerk. Whenever a clerk is absent or
5 temporarily unable to perform his duties as clerk and
6 there is no deputy clerk designee authorized or
7 available to exercise the powers and perform the
8 duties of clerk and an existing or immediate session
9 of the court renders it necessary, the judge Chief
10 Judge may designate a clerk pro tempore who shall
11 have the same powers and duties of the clerk.

12 STATEMENT OF FACT

13 The purpose of this bill is to remove references
14 to deputy clerks under the District Court laws.

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