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ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 437

House of Representatives, February 2, 1983

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE

AN ACT Providing for an Additional
District Court Judge within the Judicial
Division of Southern Androscoggin County.

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

Sec. 1. 4 MRSA §157, first ¶, as amended by PL
1981, c. 705, Pt. F, §1, is further amended to read:

The Governor, subject to review by the ~~Joint~~
~~Standing Committee on Judiciary~~ joint standing com-
mittee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over
judiciary and to confirmation by the Legislature,
shall appoint, to the District Court, 6 judges at
large and ~~15~~ 16 judges. At least one judge shall be
appointed in each district who shall be a resident
thereof, except that in District 3, District 8, Divi-
sion of Southern Androscoggin, and District 9 there

1 shall be 2 judges appointed who shall be residents
 2 thereof and except that in District 9 there shall be
 3 2 judges appointed who shall be residents thereof.
 4 Each shall have a term of office of 7 years. Each
 5 judge shall receive an annual salary of \$33,202 until
 6 June 30, 1981, and an annual salary of \$34,862 until
 7 June 30, 1982, and an annual salary of \$38,260 there-
 8 after; and the Chief Judge shall receive an annual
 9 salary of \$34,347 until June 30, 1981, and an annual
 10 salary of \$36,064 until June 30, 1982, and an annual
 11 salary of \$39,260 thereafter. The Chief Justice of
 12 the Supreme Judicial Court shall designate one of the
 13 judges as Chief Judge. Each judge shall be reimbursed
 14 for his expenses actually and reasonably incurred by
 15 him in performing his duties, upon presentation to
 16 the State Controller of a detailed statement of such
 17 expenses approved by the Chief Judge. The Chief
 18 Judge, with the advice and consent of the Chief Jus-
 19 tice of the Supreme Judicial Court, shall designate
 20 one of the District Court Judges as Deputy Chief
 21 Judge. The Deputy Chief Judge shall receive compensa-
 22 tion of \$500 annually in addition to his annual
 23 salary as District Court Judge.

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

		<u>1983-84</u>	<u>1984-85</u>
28	<u>JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT</u>		
29	Courts - Supreme		
30	Judicial, Superior,		
31	District and Admin-		
32	istrative		
33	Positions	(1)	(1)
34	Personal Ser-	\$29,750	\$39,666
35	vices		
36	All Other	4,500	6,400
37	Total	\$34,250	\$46,066

38 STATEMENT OF FACT

39 Whereas, the caseload for the 8th District Court,
 40 Division of Southern Androscoffin, has increased

1 dramatically, to the point where the court is unable
2 to provide speedy and adequate hearing on civil and
3 criminal matters, it is necessary to attempt to clear
4 the dockets to prevent undue hardship on the people
5 of Maine.

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