

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Presented by Representative GWADOSKY of Fairfield.
Cosponsored by Representative CARROLL of Gray.

STATE OF MAINE

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

1 AN ACT to Establish Salary Ranges for Deputy
2 Secretaries of State and the Attorney
3 General's Office.
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5 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
6 follows:

7 Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §81, as amended by PL 1977, c.
8 674, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in its
9 place:

10 §81. Office and duties; vacancy; salary; expenses;
11 fees

12 The Secretary of State shall establish job clas-
13 sifications with corresponding salary ranges for dep-
14 uty secretaries of state and unclassified employees
15 within the Department of the Secretary of State.

1 The compensation for these positions, in the aggregate,
2 shall not exceed the amount appropriated.

3 The job classifications and corresponding salary
4 ranges shall be provided to the Bureau of the Budget
5 and the Legislature. In the event that any job clas-
6 sification or pay range is proposed to be changed,
7 the Secretary of State shall provide the Legislature
8 and the Bureau of the Budget with the existing job
9 classification or pay range, the proposed changes and
10 the impact of the changes. The Secretary of State,
11 on an annual basis, shall provide the Legislature and
12 the Bureau of the Budget with the names of the deputy
13 secretaries of state and other full-time unclassified
14 employees, the job classification, pay range and the
15 step within each range at which the deputy secre-
16 taries of state and full-time unclassified employees
17 are employed.

18 Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §196, as amended by PL 1983, c.
19 824, Pt. T, is repealed and following enacted in its
20 place:

21 §196. Deputies and assistants; appointment and du-
22 ties

23 The Attorney General may appoint one or more dep-
24 uty attorneys general, assistant attorneys general
25 and staff attorneys who shall serve during the plea-
26 sure of the Attorney General or until their succes-
27 sors are duly appointed and qualified. Their offices
28 shall be at the Capitol and they may perform all the
29 duties required of the Attorney General and such oth-
30 er duties as the Attorney General may delegate to
31 them. The Attorney General may appoint research as-
32 stants with such powers and duties as he may dele-
33 gate. Research assistants may perform such duties as
34 may be delegated to them by the Attorney General, in-
35 cluding such activities as are authorized by Title 4,
36 section 807. Notwithstanding any other provisions of
37 law, the Attorney General shall establish job classi-
38 fications with corresponding salary ranges, approved
39 by the Governor, for the deputy attorneys general,
40 staff attorneys, assistant attorneys general, law of-
41 fice manager, research assistants and any other full-
42 time unclassified positions with the Department of
43 the Attorney General. The compensation for these po-

1 sitions, in the aggregate, shall not exceed the
2 amount appropriated for that compensation.

3 The job classifications and corresponding salary
4 ranges shall be provided to the Bureau of the Budget
5 and the Legislature. In the event that any job clas-
6 sification or pay range is proposed to be changed,
7 the Attorney General shall provide the Legislature
8 and the Bureau of the Budget with the existing job
9 classification or pay range, the proposed changes and
10 the impact of the changes. The Attorney General, on
11 an annual basis, shall provide the Legislature and
12 the Bureau of the Budget with the names of the per-
13 sons subject to the job classification as provided in
14 this section with the corresponding pay range and the
15 step within each range at which these persons are em-
16 ployed.

17 STATEMENT OF FACT

18 This bill establishes job classifications with
19 corresponding salary ranges for the deputy secre-
20 taries of state and for the professional and unclas-
21 sified employees within the Department of the Attor-
22 ney General. Currently, the salary setting provi-
23 sions of the law allow the Attorney General and the
24 Secretary of State to establish the salary levels for
25 these positions. The Governor approves the salaries
26 established by the Attorney General.

27 This bill does not change the authority of the
28 Governor, Secretary of State or Attorney General with
29 respect to establishing salaries for the respective
30 positions in the 2 departments. This bill requires
31 that job classifications and corresponding salary
32 ranges, as developed by the Attorney General and ap-
33 proved by the Governor and as developed by the Secre-
34 tary of State be provided to the Bureau of the Budget
35 and the Legislature.

1 As a result of this bill, there will be job clas-
2 sifications and pay ranges for unclassified employees
3 in the Secretary of State's office and Attorney
4 General's office which will be more fair to these em-
5 ployees and more readily accessible to the Legisla-
6 ture and the Bureau of the Budget.

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