

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 398

S.P. 144

In Senate, February 19, 1987

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate
Presented by Senator GAUVREAU of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Representative PARADIS of Augusta,
Representative MACBRIDE of Presque Isle, Senator BLACK of
Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

1 AN ACT to Measure Mileage Payments to Jurors.
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3 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
4 follows:

5 14 MRSA §1215, as amended by PL 1981, c. 490, §1,
6 is further amended to read:

7 §1215. Mileage and compensation of jurors

8 A juror shall be paid mileage at the rate of ~~15¢~~
9 per 21¢ a mile for his travel expenses from his resi-
10 dence to the place of holding court and return, may
11 be reimbursed for actual and necessary substantiated
12 parking expenses not to exceed \$5 a day and shall be
13 compensated at the rate of \$20 for each day of re-
14 quired attendance at sessions of the court, except
15 that a juror who is excused from jury service or

1 whose service is postponed on the first day of his
2 jury service shall be compensated \$10 for that day.

3 STATEMENT OF FACT

4 The purpose of this bill is to increase the mile-
5 age payment of jurors to 21¢ a mile and to permit a
6 \$5-a-day reimbursement to jurors for actual and nec-
7 essary substantiated parking expenses. The 21¢-a-mile
8 rate is appropriate because at this mileage rate the
9 Judicial Department will not have to account to the
10 United States Internal Revenue Service for mileage
11 paid to jurors. At any higher rate the United States
12 Internal Revenue Service accounting must occur.

13 The compensation rate of \$20 a day is lowered to
14 \$10 only for those jurors who are excused or post-
15 poned on the first day of jury service, that usually
16 being early in the court day.

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