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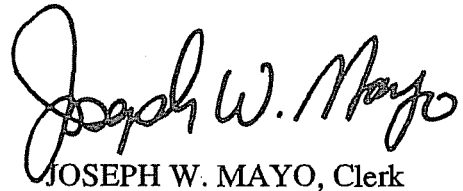
H.P. 1476

House of Representatives, April 5, 1994

An Act to Revise the Salaries of Certain County Officers.

(EMERGENCY)

Reported by Representative JOSEPH from the Committee on State and Local Government pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1344 and printed under Joint Rule 2.


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

2 **Mandate preamble.** This measure requires one or more local
units of government to expand or modify activities so as to
4 necessitate additional expenditures from local revenues but does
not provide funding for at least 90% of those expenditures.
6 Pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 21,
two thirds of all of the members elected to each House have
determined it necessary to enact this measure.

8 **Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not
10 become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted
as emergencies; and

12 **Whereas,** it has become necessary to revise the salaries of
14 certain county officials; and

16 **Whereas,** it is desired to have these revisions retroactive
to January 1, 1994; and

18 **Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts
20 create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of
Maine and require the following legislation as immediately
22 necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and
safety; now, therefore,

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

26 **Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §2, sub-§1,** as amended by PL 1993, c. 349,
28 §63 and repealed and replaced by c. 408, §1, is repealed.

30 **Sec. 2. 30-A MRSA §2, sub-§1-B** is enacted to read:

32 1-B. County officers' salaries. Notwithstanding other
34 sections of this chapter, counties that are not required to
obtain legislative approval of their budgets under section 702
36 are not required to obtain legislative approval of the salaries
of county officers under this section. The county commissioners,
38 treasurers, sheriffs, judges of probate, registers of probate and
registers of deeds in those counties whose budgets require
40 legislative approval under section 702 are entitled to receive in
weekly, biweekly or monthly payments annual salaries from the
county treasury as follows:

	<u>1993</u>	<u>1994</u>
<u>A. Androscoggin County:</u>		
<u>(1) Commissioners</u>		
<u>(a) Chair</u>	<u>\$6,346</u>	<u>\$6,536</u>

2	<u>(b) Members</u>	<u>5,432</u>	<u>5,595</u>
4	<u>(2) Treasurer</u>	<u>20,396</u>	<u>21,007</u>
6	<u>(3) Sheriff</u>	<u>27,141</u>	<u>30,955</u>
8	<u>(4) Judge of Probate</u>	<u>12,319</u>	<u>12,689</u>
10	<u>(5) Register of Probate</u>	<u>10,400</u>	<u>10,712</u>
12	<u>(6) Register of Deeds</u>	<u>23,782</u>	<u>27,495</u>
14	<u>C. Kennebec County:</u>		
16	<u>(1) Commissioners</u>		
18	<u>(a) Chair</u>	<u>\$7,152</u>	<u>\$7,152</u>
20	<u>(b) Members</u>	<u>6,744</u>	<u>6,744</u>
22	<u>(2) Treasurer</u>	<u>9,177</u>	<u>9,452</u>
24	<u>(3) Sheriff</u>	<u>33,200</u>	<u>34,196</u>
26	<u>(4) Judge of Probate</u>	<u>17,000</u>	<u>17,510</u>
28	<u>(5) Register of Probate</u>	<u>22,360</u>	<u>23,030</u>
30	<u>(6) Register of Deeds</u>	<u>23,400</u>	<u>24,102</u>
32	<u>D. Penobscot County:</u>		
34	<u>(1) Commissioners</u>		
36	<u>(a) Chair</u>	<u>\$8,128</u>	<u>\$8,496</u>
38	<u>(b) Members</u>	<u>7,759</u>	<u>8,109</u>
40	<u>(2) Treasurer</u>	<u>3,536</u>	<u>3,848</u>
42	<u>(3) Sheriff</u>	<u>32,944</u>	<u>37,000</u>
44	<u>(4) Judge of Probate</u>	<u>21,754</u>	<u>22,729</u>
46	<u>(5) Register of Probate</u>	<u>22,290</u>	<u>23,299</u>
48	<u>(6) Register of Deeds</u>	<u>20,386</u>	<u>21,500</u>
50	<u>E. Piscataquis County:</u>		

2	<u>(1) Commissioners</u>		
4	<u>(a) Chair</u>	<u>\$6,090</u>	<u>\$6,090</u>
6	<u>(b) Members</u>	<u>5,250</u>	<u>5,250</u>
8	<u>(2) Treasurer</u>	<u>6,930</u>	<u>6,930</u>
10	<u>(3) Sheriff</u>	<u>29,400</u>	<u>29,400</u>
12	<u>(4) Judge of Probate</u>	<u>14,516</u>	<u>14,516</u>
14	<u>(5) Register of Probate</u>	<u>17,102</u>	<u>17,102</u>
16	<u>(6) Register of Deeds</u>	<u>18,900</u>	<u>18,900</u>
18	<u>F. Somerset County:</u>		
20	<u>(1) Commissioners</u>		
22	<u>(a) Chair</u>	<u>\$5,302</u>	<u>\$5,461</u>
24	<u>(b) Members</u>	<u>4,560</u>	<u>4,697</u>
26	<u>(2) Treasurer</u>	<u>11,284</u>	<u>11,623</u>
28	<u>(3) Sheriff</u>	<u>32,410</u>	<u>33,382</u>
30	<u>(4) Judge of Probate</u>	<u>18,244</u>	<u>18,791</u>
32	<u>(5) Register of Probate</u>	<u>19,253</u>	<u>19,831</u>
34	<u>(6) Register of Deeds</u>	<u>19,778</u>	<u>20,371</u>
36	<u>N. York County:</u>		
38	<u>(1) Commissioners</u>		
40	<u>(a) Chair</u>	<u>\$4,957</u>	<u>\$5,056</u>
42	<u>(b) Members</u>	<u>4,957</u>	<u>5,056</u>
44	<u>(2) Treasurer</u>	<u>5,724</u>	<u>5,838</u>
46	<u>(3) Sheriff</u>	<u>31,110</u>	<u>31,110</u>
48	<u>(4) Judge of Probate</u>	<u>13,770</u>	<u>14,320</u>
50	<u>(5) Register of Probate</u>	<u>22,032</u>	<u>22,583</u>

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Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect when approved and applies retroactively to January 1, 1994.

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FISCAL NOTE

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The increase of salaries in the counties included in this bill will increase costs to those counties in amounts that can not be determined at this time. Pursuant to the mandate preamble, the 2/3 vote of all members elected to each House exempts the State from the constitutional requirement to fund 90% of the additional county costs.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This bill enacts the 1994 salaries of county officers.

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This bill also makes technical changes to eliminate confusion in the history line of the subsection establishing county officers' salaries.

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