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H.P. 1669

House of Representatives, March 27, 1998

An Act to Revise the Salaries of Certain County Officers.

(EMERGENCY)

Reported by the Majority from the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government pursuant to H.P. 1570.

OSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

	Mandate preamble. This measure requires one or more local
2	units of government to expand or modify activities so as to
	necessitate additional expenditures from local revenues but does
4	not provide funding for at least 90% of those expenditures.
c	Pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 21, two thirds of all of the members elected to each House have
б	determined it necessary to enact this measure.
8	determined it necessary to endet this measure.
·	Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not
10	become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted
	as emergencies; and
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	Whereas, it has become necessary to revise the salaries of
14	certain county officers; and
16	Whereas, it is desired to have these revisions retroactive
10	to January 1, 1998; and
18	to canaly 1, 1990, and
	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
0.4	safety; now, therefore,
24	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
26	be it chacted by the 1 copie of the State of Manie as follows.
-0	Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §2, sub-§1-B, as amended by PL 1997, c. 448,
28	§§1 and 2 and as affected by §3, is repealed and the following
	enacted in its place:
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2.2	1-B. County officers' salaries. Notwithstanding other
32	sections of this chapter, counties that are not required to obtain legislative approval of their budgets under section 702
34	are not required to obtain legislative approval of the salaries
· -	of county officers under this section. The county commissioners,
36	treasurers, sheriffs, judges of probate, registers of probate and
	registers of deeds in those counties whose budgets require
38	legislative approval under section 702 are entitled to receive in
4.0	weekly, biweekly or monthly payments annual salaries from the
40	county treasury as follows:
42	<u>1998</u>
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44	A. Androscoggin County:
46	(1) Commissioners
	4)
48	(a) Chair \$6,536

5,595

(b) Members

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2	(2) Treasurer 21,007
4	(3) Sheriff 33,455
6	(4) Judge of Probate 12,689
8	(5) Register of Probate 10,712
10	(6) Register of Deeds 27,495
12	B. Kennebec County:
14	(1) Commissioners
16	(a) Chair \$7,587
18	<u>(b) Members</u> 7,154
20	(2) Treasurer 9,452
22	(3) Sheriff 40,170
24	(4) Judge of Probate 20,131
26	(5) Register of Probate 25,410
28	(6) Register of Deeds 27,391
30	Sec. 2. Retroactivity. This Act applies retroactively to January 1, 1998.
32 34	Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.
36	FISCAL NOTE
38	The increase of salaries for certain positions in Kennebec
40	County will increase the operating costs of Kennebec County by \$2,968 annually. Pursuant to the Mandate Preamble, the two-thirds vote of all members elected to each House exempts the
42	State from the constitutional requirement to fund 90% of the additional local costs.
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46	SUMMARY
48	This bill, from the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government, increases the salaries of certain county
50	officers and applies retroactively to January 1, 1998 and adds a fiscal note.