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In Senate, February 27, 2013

An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Judicial Compensation Commission

(EMERGENCY)

Reported by [introducer] from the Judicial Compensation Commission pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 4, section 1701.

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

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DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

1 **Emergency preamble. Whereas,** acts and resolves of the Legislature do not
2 become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

3 **Whereas,** the 90-day period may not terminate until after the beginning of the next
4 fiscal year; and

5 **Whereas,** current salaries for members of the State's judiciary are among the lowest
6 in the nation; and

7 **Whereas,** it is the recommendation of the Judicial Compensation Commission that
8 increases to judicial salaries become effective July 1, 2013; and

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

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

14 **Sec. 1. 4 MRSA §4, sub-§1,** as amended by PL 1997, c. 643, Pt. M, §1, is further
15 amended to read:

16 **1. Chief justice; salary.** The Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court is entitled
17 to receive a salary, for fiscal year ~~1998-99~~ 2013-14 and thereafter, of ~~\$111,000~~ \$157,475,
18 to be paid biweekly.

19 **Sec. 2. 4 MRSA §4, sub-§2, ¶A,** as repealed and replaced by PL 1997, c. 643, Pt.
20 M, §2, is amended to read:

21 A. For fiscal year ~~1998-99~~ 2013-14 and thereafter, ~~\$96,000~~ \$136,214, to be paid
22 biweekly.

23 **Sec. 3. 4 MRSA §102, sub-§1,** as amended by PL 1997, c. 643, Pt. M, §4, is
24 further amended to read:

25 **1. Chief justice; salary.** The Chief Justice of the Superior Court is entitled to
26 receive a salary, for fiscal year ~~1998-99~~ 2013-14 and thereafter, of ~~\$94,000~~ \$133,374, to
27 be paid biweekly.

28 **Sec. 4. 4 MRSA §102, sub-§2, ¶A,** as repealed and replaced by PL 1997, c. 643,
29 Pt. M, §5, is amended to read:

30 A. For fiscal year ~~1998-99~~ 2013-14 and thereafter, ~~\$90,000~~ \$127,629, to be paid
31 biweekly.

32 **Sec. 5. 4 MRSA §157, sub-§2,** as amended by PL 1997, c. 643, Pt. M, §7, is
33 further amended to read:

