

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Second Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 163.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND
EIGHTY-FIVE.

AN ACT to authorize the Licensing of Private
Detectives.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives
in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

SECTION 1. The Governor, with the advice of the
2 Council, may license not exceeding twenty private
3 detectives, for the detection, prevention, and punish-
4 ment of crime, to serve for the term of four years,
5 unless such license is sooner revoked for cause.
6 The fee for such license shall be fifty dollars, to be
7 paid into the State treasury; and each person so
8 licensed shall give bond with two sureties, approved
9 by the governor and council, conditioned for the
10 proper discharge of the services which he may per-
11 form by virtue of such license; but nothing herein

12 contained shall be construed to confer on any such
13 person so licensed any of the power and authority
14 of sheriffs or police officers, except in cases of
15 felonies and offences under chapter one hundred
16 and twenty of the Revised Statutes.

SECT. 2. Private detectives, licensed as afore-
2 said, shall have the same authority to arrest in
3 cases of felonies and offences under chapter one
4 hundred and twenty of the Revised Statutes, in
5 any part of the State, as sheriffs within their re-
6 spective counties in similar cases. They shall
7 receive the same fees as fees of sheriffs in similar
8 cases, and no extra compensation shall be paid to
9 them in any case from the State or county treasury.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 23, 1885. }

Reported from Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. HEATH; ordered
printed under joint-rule.

NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, *Clerk.*