

Sixty-Seventh Legislature.

No. 205.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend Section fourteen of Chapter 224 of the Private and Special Laws of 1849, relating to the terms of the Augusta Municipal Court.

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

SECTION 1. Section fourteen of chapter two hundred 2 and twenty-four of the Private and Special Laws of 1849 3 is hereby amended by striking out the words "Monday of 4 each alternate week," and inserting the words, 'the first 5 and third Monday of each month,' so that said section as 6 amended shall read as follows:

'Section 14. The said court shall be held on the first 8 and third Monday of each month at nine of the clock in 9 the forenoon, for the transaction of civil business, and

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10 all civil processes shall be made returnable at that time. 11 And there shall be taxed in said court, in civil and criminal 12 cases, the same fees that are now taxable by justices of 13 the peace in like cases; and all fines, penalties and bills 14 of costs which may be awarded by the judge of said court, 15 shall be accounted for and paid over in the same manner 16 as if the same had been awarded by the sentence of a jus-17 tice of the peace; and all warrants alleging any offense to 18 have been committed within said city shall be made 19 returnable before said court. No justice of the peace 20 residing in said city, the recorder excepted, shall take 21 cognizance of, or exercise jurisdiction over any crime or 22 offence, or in any civil actions, except under the authority 23 of the United States, wherein the judge is not a party or 24 interested, except in the absence or disability of said judge 25 and recorder, under a penalty of twenty dollars, to be 26 recovered on indictment; but this act shall not affect any 27 process pending at the time of its approval.'

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

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IN SENATE, March 8, 1895.

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Reported in the house from Committee on Legal Affairs and passed to be engrossed. In senate, laid on the table to be printed under joint rules.

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KENDALL M. DUNBAR, Secretary.