

Sixty-Seventh Legislature.

SENATE.

No. 261.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT in relation to State Printing.

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

SECTION 1. There shall be chosen biennially, by joint 2 ballot of the legislature, on the same day that other state 3 officers are elected, a public printer who shall hold his 4 office for two years and until some other person is elected 5 in his stead. He shall give bond, with sufficient sureties, 6 in the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, for the faithful dis-7 charge of his duties, and shall execute or furnish every 8 kind of printing for every department of the state govern-9 ment for which the state shall be held to pay, excepting 10 the printing of the Revised Statutes and the Reports of 11 Decisions.

SECT. 2. For the faithful discharge of his duties he shall 2 receive compensation as follows:

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FOR BOOK AND PAMPHLET WORK—For plain composition 4 and for laws and statutes, for one thousand ems, forty-5 two cents; rule and figure work, for one thousand ems, 6 ninety cents; any other irregular work at the discretion 7 of the auditor.

PRESS WORK—For form of sixteen pages or less, five 9 hundred impressions, or less, ninety cents; for each addi-10 tional hundred impressions, eighteen cents. For eight 11 page forms, or less, law size, five hundred impressions, 12 or less, ninety cents; for each additional hundred impres-13 sions, eighteen cents.

BLANK AND CIRCULAR WORK, COVERS, ENVELOPES, 15 LETTER HEADS, BILL HEADS, CARDS, BALLOTS, ETC—For 16 plain composition, for one thousand ems, forty-eight cents; 17 blank work, with rules adjusted into body lines, price and 18 one-half; rule and figure and tabular work double price; 19 any other irregular work at the discretion of the auditor. 20 No blank job to be reckoned less than one thousand ems.

PRESS WORK—For form of five hundred impressions, or 22 less, seventy-five cents; each additional hundred impres-23 sions, fifteen cents. For press work requiring colored or 24 copying ink, or other than black, double price shall be 25 charged. For any work not hereinbefore specified, the 26 printer shall receive such compensation as shall be judged 27 reasonable by the auditor.

HOUR WORK—Copy furnished to the printers shall be 29 legibly written and properly prepared. For correcting 30 proof by reason of alteration in the author's copy, thirty 31 cents per hour shall be charged. Work imperatively 32 demanded, and required to be performed at night or out 33 of the usual hours of labor, shall be compensated by extra 34 allowance, at the discretion of the auditor. PAPER AND OTHER STOCK—For paper and other stock, 36 an addition of fifteen per cent. upon the actual cost, to be 37 determined by the auditor, to cover interest, freight, stor-38 age, insurance, and waste. All printing shall be executed 39 in a prompt, proper, substantial, faithful, and workman-40 like manner.

SECT. 3. The state printer shall be entitled to complete 2 all the reports of all state and legislative officers and com-3 missioners for the political years for which he was elected, 4 and shall finish all work on which any beginning shall have 5 been made.

SECT. 4. The state officers and heads of departments 2 shall give the state printer, upon delivery of any completed 3 job of printing, a receipt therefor, which shall be attached 4 to the sample of the job submitted to the auditor, and 5 which shall be the printer's voucher for the completion and 6 delivery of the work. Printed sheets of book work shall 7 be delivered promptly into the hands of the public binder, 8 and after such delivery the responsibility of the printer for 9 such printed sheets shall cease.

SECT. 5. There shall be appointed by the governor 2 and council, to serve during their pleasure, an auditor of 3 the state printing, who shall be an experienced practical 4 printer. All bills for state printing shall be audited by 5 him, for which he shall receive such compensation as the 6 governor and council may deem just.

SECT. 6. This act shall take effect January first, in the 2 year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-3 seven, and the first election of state printer shall occur on 4 the same day of said January that other state office are 5 elected.

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IN SENATE, March 21, 1895.

Reported by Mr. SAVAGE, from Committee on Printing and Binding, and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, Secretary.