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Sixty-Ninth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 196.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend section sixty of chapter twenty-seven of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter three hundred and seventeen of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to intoxicating Liquors.

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

Section 1. Section sixty of chapter twenty-seven of the

- 2 Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 317 of the Public
- 3 Laws of 1897, is hereby further amended by striking out
- 4 in the seventh line thereof after the word "ill-fame," the word
- 5 "either," and in the eighth line thereof after the word "mag-
- 6 istrate" the words "and executing the," and inserting in lieu
- 7 thereof the words 'sheriffs and their deputies shall serve and
- 8 execute all,' and by striking out in the ninth line thereof after

9 the word "thereon," the words "or by," and inserting in lieu 10 thereof the words, 'and shall' and in the eleventh line thereof 11 after the word "section," the words, 'excepting in Cumber-12 land county' and by adding after the word "court" at the 13 conclusion of the twenty-first line thereof the following 14 words: 'The sheriff of Cumberland county shall appoint and 15 designate two suitable persons to serve during his official 16 term as special liquor deputies, and with the advice and con-17 sent of the county commissioners, as many additional to act 18 under this section as in his judgment may be required for the 19 enforcement of the prohibitory law in Cumberland county. 20 Said deputies shall receive a salary of nine hundred dollars 21 and in addition thereto, legal fees in cases where a convic-22 tion is secured, as full compensation for services rendered, 23 but in no case shall fees be allowed on warrants or libels, 24 when there is no conviction of the person or persons therein 25 named.' So that said section as amended, shall read as fol-26 lows:

'Sect. 60. Sheriffs and their deputies and county attorneys 28 shall diligently and faithfully inquire into all violations of 29 law, within their respective counties, and institute proceed-30 ings against violations or supposed violations of law, and par-31 ticularly the law against the illegal sale of intoxicating liq-32 uors, and the keeping of drinking houses and tippling shops, 33 gambling houses or places, and houses of ill-fame, by prompt-34 ly entering a complaint before a magistrate. Sheriffs and 35 their deputies shall execute all warrants issued thereon, and 36 shall furnish the county attorney promptly and without delay, 37 with the names of alleged offenders and of the witnesses.

38 For services under this section, excepting in the county of 39 Cumberland, sheriffs, and their deputies acting under their 40 directions, shall receive the same per diem compensation, as 41 for attendance on the supreme judicial court, the same fees 42 for travel as for the service of warrants in criminal cases, to-43 gether with such necessary incidental expenses as are just 44 and proper; bills for which shall be audited by the county 45 commissioners, and paid from the county treasury. But 46 said commissioners shall not allow any per diem compensa-47 tion to said sheriffs or their deputies, for any day for which 48 said sheriffs or their deputies are entitled to fees or compen-49 sation for attendance at or service in any court. The sheriff 50 of Cumberland county shall appoint and designate two suitable 51 persons to serve during his official term as special liquor depu-52 ties, and with the advice and consent of the county commis-53 sioners, as many additional to act under this section as in his 54 judgment may be required for the enforcement of the pro-55 hibitory law in Cumberland county. Said deputies shall re-56 ceive a salary, and in addition thereto, legal fees in cases 57 where a conviction is secured, as full compensation for ser-58 vices rendered, but in no case shall fees be allowed on war-59 rants or libels, when there is no conviction of the person or 60 persons therein named. The provisions of section five of 61 chapter one hundred and sixteen shall not apply to the sheriff 62 of Cumberland county and his deputies acting under the pro-63 visions of this section; but the county commissioners of the 64 county of Cumberland may allow said sheriff and his depu-65 ties such additional compensation as seems to them advisable, 66 in addition to the compensation given by this section.

- Sect. 2. This act shall not in any way affect, apply to, nor 2 prejudice any pending action, nor any cause of action that has 3 already accrued to sheriffs and their deputies for their fees 4 under existing laws.
- Sect. 3. All acts or parts of acts, inconsistent herewith, 2 are hereby repealed.
 - Sect. 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, Augusta, February 27, 1899.

Tabled pending reference to Committee, by Mr. CHASE of Portland, and ordered printed.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.