

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Seventy-first Legislature.

SENATE.

No. 155

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND THREE.

AN ACT in reference to state detectives.

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

Section 1. Section 1 of chapter 357 of the Public Laws
2 of 1885, is hereby amended by striking out the following
3 words: "But nothing herein contained shall be construed
4 to confer on any such person, so licensed, any of the
5 power and authority of sheriffs or police officers, except
6 in cases of felonies and offenses under chapter one hundred
7 and twenty of the Revised Statutes." So that said sec-
8 tion as amended shall read as follows:

‘Section 1. The governor with the advice of the council,
10 may license not exceeding twenty detectives, who shall be

11 known and called State Detectives, for the detection, pre-
12 vention and punishment of crime, to serve for the term of
13 four years, unless such license is sooner revoked for cause.
14 The fee for such licenses shall be fifty dollars, to be paid
15 into the state treasury ; and each person so licensed shall
16 give bond with two sureties, approved by the governor and
17 council, conditioned for the proper discharge of the ser-
18 vices which he may perform by virtue of such license.'

Sect. 2. Section 2 of chapter 357 of the Public Laws
2 of 1885, is hereby amended by striking out after the word
3 "arrest" the following : "in cases of offenses under chap-
4 ter one hundred and twenty and one hundred and twenty-
5 five of the Revised Statutes, and of felonies," and by adding
6 in lieu thereof, 'and to execute all criminal processes' ; so
7 that so that said section as amended shall read as follows :

'Section 2. Private detectives, licensed as aforesaid,
9 shall have the same authority to arrest and execute crimi-
10 nal processes in any part of the state, as sheriffs within
11 their respective counties in similar cases. They shall re-
12 ceive the same fees as fees of sheriffs in similar cases, and
13 no extra compensation shall be paid to them in any case,
14 from the state or county treasury.'

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, March 3, 1903.

Reported by Mr. WING from Committee on the Judiciary, and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, *Secretary*.