

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 407

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend Section 4 of Chapter 174 of the Public Laws
of 1905, relating to the compensation of sheriffs.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. Section 4 of Chapter 174 of the Public Laws
2 of 1905 is hereby amended by inserting in the sixth line
3 thereof after the word "counties" the following sentence,
4 "no County Commissioner shall be interested directly or in-
5 directly in the purchase of any such supplies or in any con-
6 tract therefor made by the Board of which and while he is
7 a member thereof, and all contracts made in violation here-
8 of are void," so that said Section 4 as amended shall read
9 as follows:

Section 2. The county commissioners of the several coun-
11 ties shall, without extra charge or commission to themselves
12 or to any other person, procure all necessary supplies, in-

13 cluding necessary food, fuel, bedding and clothing for the
14 jails and the prisoners therein to be furnished and pur-
15 chased under their direction and at the expense of the coun-
16 ties. No county commissioner shall be interested directly or
17 indirectly in the purchase of any such supplies or in any
18 contract therefor made by the Board of which and while
19 he is a member thereof, and all contracts made in violation
20 hereof are void. A suitable person shall be employed to
21 prepare the food of the prisoners in each county at the ex-
22 pense of the county, and the service of the food to the
23 prisoners shall be under the general direction of the jailer,
24 master or keeper. The person employed to prepare the food
25 of the prisoners shall be appointed by the sheriff in each
26 county subject to the approval of the county commission-
27 ers. The county commissioners shall have authority at any
28 time to direct specific rations or articles of food, clothing,
29 soap, fuel or other necessaries to be furnished and served
30 to the prisoners. The bills and accounts for supplies furn-
31 ished and the items of expense incurred in preparing and
32 serving the same shall be audited quarterly by some compe-
33 tent person appointed by one of the judges of the supreme
34 judicial court and paid by the county treasurer. For ser-
35 vices in auditing said account said judge shall allow reason-
36 able compensation to be paid from the county treasury.
37 Sections forty-three and forty-four of chapter eighty-two
38 of the revised statutes are hereby repealed.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, March 3, 1909.

Reported by Mr. LIBBY from Committee on Salaries and
Fees and ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, *Clerk*