

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 564

STATE OF MAINE.

AN ACT to amend Section 48 of Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the expenditures by the Railroad Commissioners.

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

Section 1. Section 48 of Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words "thirty-two hundred" in the ninth line of said section and substituting therefor the words 'five thousand,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

"The governor with the advice and consent of the council, shall appoint three railroad commissioners who shall act as a board and hold their offices for three years; one of them shall be learned in the law and appointed and commissioned as chairman; one of them shall be a civil engineer who

11 shall have had experience in the construction of railroads;
12 and the third shall have had experience in the management
13 and operation of railroads. Said board shall be provided
14 with an office and suitable rooms for hearing in which its
15 records shall be kept; the board may expend a sum not
16 exceeding five thousand dollars annually in procuring nec-
17 essary books, maps, stationery and statistics, and in defray-
18 ing expenses, incidental and necessary to the discharge of
19 its duties and procuring the assistance of a mechanical ex-
20 pert in the examination of iron bridges. A statement of
21 such expenses shall accompany its annual report. Said
22 board shall also have a clerk and an assistant clerk, both
23 of whom shall be appointed by the governor on the recom-
24 mendation of the board. The clerk shall keep a full and
25 minute record of the proceedings of the board; the assist-
26 ant clerk shall assist the clerk in the performance of his
27 duties, and in the absence of the clerk shall have the same
28 powers as the clerk.'

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, March 12, 1909.

Reported by Mr. SPEAR from Committee on Railroads and
Expresses and ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, *Clerk.*