

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 95

In Senate, Jan. 27, 1913.

Presented by Senator Cole of York and on motion by same Senator laid on table for printing pending reference to a committee.

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend Section 19, Chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes, relating to duties of Registrars of Probate.

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

Section 1. Section 19, Chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes 2 is hereby amended by adding the following: 'and they may, 3 as auditors of accounts, do and perform such other similar 4 duties as the judge of probate may desire, and for such ser- 5 vices they may receive, as extra compensation, for them- 6 selves, or for clerk hire, not less than one dollar nor more 7 than five dollars for each account so audited to be paid by 8 the estate on approval of the judge of probate,' so that said 9 section will read as follows:

Sect. 19. Register of probate are elected or appointed
11 as provided in the constitution. Their election is effected
12 and determined as is provided respecting county commis-
13 sioners by chapter eighty, and they enter upon the discharge
14 of their duties on the first day of January following; but
15 the term of those appointed to fill vacancies commences im-
16 mediately. All registers, before acting, shall give bond to
17 the treasurer of their county with sufficient sureties, in not
18 less than one hundred, nor more than one thousand dollars,
19 at the discretion of the judge, who shall certify his approval
20 thereon; and every register, having executed such bond,
21 shall file it in the office of clerk of the county commission-
22 ers of his county, to be presented to them at their next meet-
23 ing for approval, and after the bond has been so approved,
24 the clerk shall record it and certify the fact thereon, and
25 retaining a copy thereof, deliver the original to the register,
26 who shall deliver it to the treasurer of the county, within
27 ten days after its approval, to be filed in his office; they have
28 the care and custody of all files, papers and books belonging
29 to the probate office; and shall duly record all wills proved,
30 letters of administration or guardianship granted, bonds ap-
31 proved, accounts allowed, and such orders and decrees of
32 the judge, and other matters, as he directs. They shall keep
33 a docket of all probate cases, and shall, under the appropriate
34 heading of each case, make entries of each motion, order,
35 decree and proceeding, so that at all times the docket shall
36 show the exact condition of each case, and they may, as audi-

37 tors of accounts, do and perform such other similar duties
38 as the judge of probate may desire, and for such services
39 they may receive, as extra compensation, for themselves, or
40 for clerk hire, not less than one dollar nor more than five
41 dollars for each account so audited to be paid by the estate
42 on approval of the judge of probate.'