

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 277

In Senate, Feb. 7, 1913.

Came from the House referred to the committee on Legal Affairs and on motion by Senator Richardson of Penobscot laid on the table for printing pending reference in concurrence.

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend chapter 153 of the Private and Special Laws of the year of 1903 relating to the Old Town Municipal Court.

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

Section 1. Section 4 of Chapter 153 of the Private and
2 Special Laws of the year of 1903 is hereby amended so that,
3 as amended, the same shall read as follows:

'Sect. 4. Said court shall have original and exclusive jur-
5 isdiction as follows: First, of all cases of forcible entry
6 and detainer respecting estates within the city of Old Town
7 or either of the towns of Milford, Bradley, Alton, Argyle,
8 Greenbush, Greenfield, Passadumkeag, Edinburg, Enfield,

9 Lowell, Burlington, Lincoln, and Lee, in said county of Pe-
10 nobscot; second, of all such criminal offenses and misde-
11 meanors committed in said city or either of said towns as
12 are within the jurisdiction of trial justices. Third, of all
13 offenses against the ordinances and by-laws of said city or
14 either of said towns. Fourth, said court shall have original
15 jurisdiction concurrent with trial justices in all such mat-
16 ters, civil or criminal, within the county of Penobscot, as
17 are by law within the jurisdiction of trial justices within
18 said county and are not placed within the exclusive juris-
19 diction of said court by this section, and in all such civil
20 matters, excepting, however, actions of forcible entry and
21 detainer respecting estates within the city of Bangor, the
22 said court shall have jurisdiction though either party in-
23 terested, or a person summoned as trustee, resides in said
24 city of Bangor.'

Sect. 2. Section 8 of said Chapter 153 is hereby amended
2 so that, as amended, the same shall read as follows:

'Sect. 8. A term of said court shall be held for the trans-
4 action of civil business on the third Tuesday of each month,
5 excepting the month of October, beginning at ten hours of
6 the clock in the forenoon. Said court shall also be held on
7 every Tuesday at the usual hour for the purpose of filing
8 pleas in abatement, the motion mentioned in section eigh-
9 teen of this act and for the entry and trial of actions of
10 forcible entry and detainer and such actions shall be re-
11 turnable accordingly and be heard and judgment entered

12 therein on the return day of the writ unless continued for
13 good cause. For the cognizance and trial of criminal cases,
14 and for the entry, hearing and determination of petitions
15 under the provisions of chapter forty-two of the public laws
16 enacted in the year of nineteen hundred and seven, as
17 amended, said court shall be considered as in constant ses-
18 sion. In all cases said court may be adjourned from time
19 to time.

Sect. 3. Section 9 of said chapter is hereby amended so
2 that, as amended, the same shall read as follows:

'Sect. 9. Said court shall be held at such place as the city
4 of Old Town shall provide and said city shall have power
5 and it shall be its duty to raise money to provide a proper
6 place for said court and its officers and suitably furnish,
7 warm and light the same. Sessions of said court for the
8 transaction of either civil or criminal business, or both, may,
9 in the discretion of the judge of said court, be held in the
10 town of Lincoln, in said county, and said town of Lincoln
11 shall have power to provide a proper place in which to hold
12 such sessions of said court, and suitably furnish and equip
13 the same. The salary of the judge of said court is hereby
14 fixed at one thousand five hundred dollars, annually; that
15 of the recorder is hereby fixed at seven hundred dollars,
16 annually, and both of said salaries are to be paid quarterly,
17 with all other expenses of said court, from the treasury of
18 the county of Penobscot.'