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SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE NO. 257

House of Representatives, Feb. 18, 1915.

Ordered, That five hundred copies be printed and that the same be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Committee on Reference.

Presented by Mr. Sanborn of South Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend section eighteen of chapter sixty-five of the Revised Statutes relating to Judges of Probate.

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

Section eighteen of chapter sixty-five of the revised stat-2 utes is hereby amended by adding thereto the following 3 words: 'Nor shall any judge of probate draft or aid in 4 drafting any document or paper which he is by law required 5 to pass upon.' So that the section as amended shall read 6 as follows:

'Sect. 18. No judge of probate shall have a voice in judg-8 ing and determining, nor be attorney or counselor in or out 9 of court in any civil action or matter, which depends on or 10 relates to any sentence or decree made by him in his office; 11 nor in any civil action for or against any executor, admin12 istrator, guardian or trustee under any last will and testa13 ment, as such, within his county, and any process or pro14 ceeding commenced by him in the probate court for his
15 county, in violation of this section is void, and he is liable
16 to the party injured in damages; nor shall any judge of
17 probate draft or aid in drafting any document or paper
18 which he is by law required to pass upon.'