

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 390

In Senate, March 23, 1917.

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and ordered printed under joint rules.*

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT in relation to the duties of county attorneys.

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

Section 1. Every county attorney, unless he makes an
2 order of dismissal as hereinafter provided, shall diligently
3 and without delay prosecute to final judgment and sentence
4 all criminal cases before the supreme judicial court and
5 superior court of his county.

Sect. 2. He shall prosecute to final judgment and execu-
2 tion all civil cases in which the state is a party in his county,
3 and shall institute scire facias against sureties on any recog-

4 nizance upon which the principal and sureties have been
5 defaulted, before the term next succeeding that at which
6 such default was entered upon the docket of the court, un-
7 less by order in open court the presiding justice shall grant
8 a delay in matters of scire facias.

Sect. 3. In order to dismiss civil or criminal cases the
2 county attorney shall endorse upon the back of the writ,
3 indictment or complaint in such cases a written order of
4 dismissal, together with a statement of reasons for dismissal
5 and said order of dismissal shall not take effect unless ap-
6 proved in writing by the justice presiding at the term when
7 the dismissal herein approved of is made.