

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 416

In Senate, March 29, 1917.

Taken from table on motion by Mr. Marshall and majority report accepted.

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

Presented by Mr. Merrill of Somerset.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend Section 16 of Chapter 84 of the Revised Statutes of 1916 relative to the tenure of office of County Attorney.

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

Section 16 of Chapter 84 of the Revised Statutes of 1916
2 is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the fol-
3 lowing:

‘Whenever the governor and council upon complaint and
2 due notice and hearing shall find that a county attorney has
3 violated any statute, or is not performing his duties faith-

4 fully and efficiently they may remove him from office and
5 appoint another attorney in his place for the remainder of
6 the term for which he was elected,' so that said section as
7 amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 16. Election of county attorneys; vacancies, R. S.
2 c. 81 Par. 16. County attorneys shall be elected and notified,
3 their elections determined and vacancies filled in the same
4 manner, and they shall enter upon the discharge of their
5 duties at the same time as is provided respecting county
6 commissioners, but they shall hold office for two years.
7 None but a permanent resident of the county shall hold such
8 office, and removal therefrom vacates the office. Whenever
9 the governor and council upon complaint and due notice and
10 hearing, shall find that a county attorney has violated any
11 statute, or is not performing his duties faithfully and effi-
12 ciently, they may remove him from office and appoint an-
13 other attorney in his place for the remainder of the term for
14 which he was elected.

See c. 7, par. 53; ch. 83, pars. 1-4; 71 Me. 384.