

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE

NO. 491

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CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT to Amend Sections Three and Six of Chapter Two  
Hundred Sixty of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred  
Seventeen, Entitled "An Act to Establish a Superior Court  
in the County of Androscoggin."

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

Section 1. Section three of chapter two hundred sixty  
2 of the public laws of nineteen hundred seventeen is hereby  
3 amended by inserting between the words "appeals" and  
4 "from municipal and police courts" in the second line there-  
5 of the words 'and civil cases removed'; by inserting be-  
6 tween the words "jurisdiction of" and "actions of trespass"  
7 in the eighth and ninth lines thereof the words 'real ac-

8 tions'; by striking out the words "and real actions" in  
9 the eleventh and twelfth lines thereof; and by adding to  
10 said section the following: 'It is hereby expressly pro-  
11 vided, however, that all municipal courts within said coun-  
12 ty of Androscoggin shall have concurrent jurisdiction with  
13 said superior court in all civil actions where the debt or  
14 damages demanded do not exceed one hundred dollars.' So  
15 that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 3. Within said county, said superior court shall  
2 have exclusive jurisdiction of civil appeals and civil cases  
3 removed from municipal and police courts, and trial jus-  
4 tices; exclusive original jurisdiction of actions of scire  
5 facias on judgments and recognizances not exceeding five  
6 hundred dollars; of bastardy trials, and all other civil ac-  
7 tions at law not exclusively cognizable by municipal and  
8 police courts, and trial justices, where the damages de-  
9 manded do not exceed five hundred dollars, except com-  
10 plaints for flowage, real actions and actions of trespass  
11 quare clausum; and concurrent original jurisdiction of real  
12 actions, actions of trespass quare clausum, libels for divorce  
13 and proceedings in habeas corpus, and of all other civil  
14 actions at law where the damages exceed five hundred dol-  
15 lars, except complaints for flowage. It is hereby expressly  
16 provided, however, that all municipal courts within said  
17 county of Androscoggin shall have concurrent jurisdiction  
18 with said superior court in all civil actions where the debt  
19 or damages demanded do not exceed one hundred dollars.'

Sect. 2. Section six of said chapter two hundred sixty  
2 of the public laws of nineteen hundred seventeen is hereby  
3 amended by striking out said section and inserting in place  
4 thereof the following:

'Sect. 6. Said court shall be held for civil and criminal  
2 business on the first Tuesday of February, April, June,  
3 October and December, provided that the grand jury shall  
4 attend only at the October, February and June terms, un-  
5 less specially summoned by order of the court. All recog-  
6 nizances for appearance to abide action by the grand jury  
7 shall be for appearance at the term at which the next reg-  
8 ular session of the grand jury is held, but appeals in crim-  
9 inal as well as civil matters and removals shall be to the  
10 next regular term.'