

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 144

In Senate, Feb. 28, 1919.

Reported by Senator Gurney from Committee on Legal Affairs and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

P. F. CRANE, Secretary.

Presented by Mr. Mason of Ellsworth.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend section ten of chapter one hundred thirty-seven, of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred three of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred seventeen; also to amend section nineteen of said chapter one hundred thirty-seven, relating to the appointment of Probation Officers.

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

Section 1. Section ten of chapter 137 of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 203 of the public laws of 1917, is hereby further amended by adding the words 'male or female' after the words "may appoint one or more associates"

5 in the twenty-first line thereof, so that said section as
6 amended shall read as follows:

‘Sect. 10. The governor, by and with the consent of the
2 council shall appoint in any county of the state where in his
3 judgment such appointment is advisable, one probation
4 officer, who shall be a male citizen of the county in which he
5 is appointed and of good moral character; he shall hold
6 office during the pleasure of such governor and council,
7 and shall receive as his compensation such sum as the county
8 commissioners of his county shall fix, which shall be paid
9 from the county treasury in equal monthly installments.
10 The county commissioners of such county shall at their
11 next session after such appointment by the governor, deter-
12 mine and fix the amount of such compensation, which shall
13 not be diminished during the term of office of a probation
14 officer, but may be increased if it seems just to the county
15 commissioners so to do. In addition to such compensation,
16 each probation officer shall receive monthly such sums as he
17 has reasonably and properly paid for his expenses incurred
18 in the performance of his duty; each probation officer shall
19 on or before the last day of each month submit under oath
20 to the county commissioners in his county an itemized state-
21 ment of such expenditures. If in any county it seems to
22 the governor and council necessary to have more than one
23 probation officer, the governor, by and with the consent of
24 the council, may appoint one or more associates, male or
25 female, who shall have all the authority under the direction

26 of the probation officer which such probation officer has, and
27 who shall receive for compensation and expenses such sum
28 as the county commissioners in his county shall deem just
29 and proper.’

Sect. 2. Section 19 of chapter 137 of the revised statutes
2 relating to the appointment of probation officers pro tempore,
3 is hereby amended by adding the words ‘or female’ after the
4 word “male” in the fourth line thereof, so that said section
5 19 as amended shall read as follows, viz:—

‘Sect. 19. In case of the absence of the probation officer at
2 the time and place when any such child is so arrested or to
3 be tried, the court having jurisdiction may appoint some
4 discreet male or female citizen of the county a probation
5 officer pro tempore for the purpose of that particular case,
6 who shall perform his duties without compensation or ex-
7 pense, and such probation officer shall have all the authority
8 to perform all of the duties of the probation officer under
9 sections ten to twenty-four, both inclusive of this chapter;
10 but the authority of such probation officer shall cease when
11 he shall have performed the duties with reference to that
12 particular cause.’