

NEW DRAFT

SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 288

In Senate, March 28, 1919.

Reported by Mr. Grant from Committee on Salaries and Fees and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

P. F. CRANE, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Increase Salaries of Certain County Officers and Amount of Money Allowed for Clerk Hire in Certain County Offices.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:
Section I. Sections thirty-seven, thirty-eight, thirty-nine,
2 forty, forty-one, forty-two, forty-three, forty-four, and
3 forty-five of chapter one hundred seventeen of the revised
4 statutes are hereby amended by striking out all of said sec5 tions, and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sect. 37. County attorneys of the several counties shall 2 receive annual salaries from the state treasury in monthly 3 payments on the last day of each month, as follows:

Androscoggin, twelve hundred dollars.

Aroostook, fifteen hundred dollars. Cumberland, two thousand dollars. Franklin, five hundred dollars. Hancock, seven hundred and fifty dollars. Kennebec, fourteen hundred dollars. Knox, seven hundred dollars. Lincoln, five hundred dollars. Oxford, nine hundred dollars. Penobscot, eighteen hundred dollars. Piscataquis, seven hundred dollars. Sagadahoc, seven hundred dollars. Somerset, eight hundred and fifty dollars. Waldo, five hundred dollars.

Washington, nine hundred dollars.

York, twelve hundred dollars, and no other fees, costs, or 2 emoluments shall be allowed them. The assistant county 3 attorney for the county of Cumberland, twelve hundred 4 dollars. He shall hold his office during the term of the 5 county attorney by whom he was appointed subject to 6 removal at any time by the justice of the superior court for 7 said county.

Sect. 38. Judges of probate in the several counties shall 2 receive annual salaries from the treasuries of the counties 3 in monthly payments paid on the last day of each month, 4 as follows:

Androscoggin, sixteen hundred dollars. Aroostook, fifteen hundred dollars. Cumberland, three thousand dollars. Franklin, six hundred dollars. Hancock, eleven hundred dollars. Kennebec, two thousand dollars. Knox, eight hundred dollars. Lincoln, five hundred dollars. Oxford, one thousand dollars. Penobscot, eighteen hundred dollars. Piscataquis, eight hundred dollars. Sagadahoc, nine hundred dollars. Somerset, one thousand dollars. Waldo, seven hundred dollars. Washington, eight hundred dollars.

York, two thousand dollars, and the fees to which they 2 are entitled by law, except the fee provided in section forty-3 nine of chapter one hundred and forty-five, shall be taxed 4 and collected and paid over by the registers of probate 5 to the county treasurers for the use of their counties.

Sect. 39. Registers of probate in the several counties shall 2 receive annual salaries from the treasuries of the counties 3 in monthly payments paid on the last day of each month, 4 as follows:

Androscoggin, sixteen hundred dollars. Aroostook, fifteen hundred dollars. Cumberland, two thousand dollars. Franklin, eight hundred dollars. Hancock, one thousand dollars.

Kennebec, fifteen hundred dollars. Knox, twelve hundred dollars. Lincoln, nine hundred dollars. Oxford, one thousand dollars. Penobscot, fifteen hundred dollars. Piscataquis, twelve hundred dollars. Sagadahoc, nine hundred dollars. Somerset, one thousand dollars. Waldo, one thousand dollars. Washington, one thousand dollars. York, fourteen hundred dollars.

The sums above mentioned shall be in full compensation 2 for the performance of all duties required of registers of 3 probate.

Sect. 40. The clerks of the judicial courts in the several 2 counties shall receive annual salaries from the treasuries 3 of the counties in monthly payments paid on the last day 4 of each month, as follows:

Androscoggin, twenty-two hundred dollars.

Aroostook, two thousand dollars.

Cumberland, twenty-five hundred dollars, deputy clerk of 2 courts, eighteen hundred dollars.

Franklin, twelve hundred dollars.

Hancock, twenty-one hundred dollars.

Kennebec, twenty-five hundred dollars.

Knox, fifteen hundred dollars.

Lincoln, twelve hundred dollars.

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Oxford, sixteen hundred dollars. Penobscot, twenty-five hundred dollars. Piscataquis, twelve hundred dollars. Sagadahoc, seventeen hundred dollars. Somerset, eighteen hundred dollars. Waldo, twelve hundred dollars.

Washington, sixteen hundred dollars. Beginning with the 2 first day of January, nineteen hundred twenty-one, four-3 teen hundred and fifty dollars.

York, two thousand dollars.

The sums above mentioned shall be in full compensation 2 for the performance of all duties required of clerks, in-3 cluding those performed by them as clerks of the supreme 4 judicial court, superior and county commissioners' courts, 5 or by clerks pro tempore employed by them. They shall 6 account quarterly under oath to the county treasurers for 7 all fees received by them or payable to them by virtue of 8 the office, except fees collected by them in naturalization 9 proceedings under the Act of Congress of June twenty-10 ninth, nineteen hundred six, as amended by the Act of 11 Congress of June twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred ten, speci-12 fying the items, and shall pay the whole amount of the 13 same to the treasurers of their respective counties quarterly 14 on the first days of January, April, July and October, of 15 each year.

Sect. 41. The sheriffs of the several counties shall receive 2 annual salaries from the treasuries of the counties in month-

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3 ly payments paid on the last day of each month, as fol-4 lows:

Androscoggin, twenty-five hundred dollars. Aroostook, two thousand dollars. Cumberland, four thousand dollars. Franklin, one thousand dollars. Hancock, sixteen hundred dollars. Kennebec, twenty-eight hundred dollars. Knox, twelve hundred dollars. Lincoln, eight hundred dollars. Oxford, twelve hundred dollars. Penobscot, twenty-eight hundred dollars. Piscataquis, one thousand dollars. Sagadahoc, fifteen hundred dollars. Somerset, fourteen hundred dollars. Waldo, twelve hundred dollars.

Washington, sixteen hundred dollars, fourteen hundred 2 dollars, beginning with the first day of January, nineteen 3 hundred twenty-one.

York, twenty-five hundred dollars.

Together with free rental of the house or living apart-2 ment connected with the county jail in each county, in-3 cluding the necessary light and fuel. Said salaries shall 4 be in full compensation for services in attendance upon 5 the supreme judicial court and upon the superior courts 6 in the counties of Cumberland and Kennebec as jailer, 7 master or keeper of the jail in each county, for receiving 8 and committing prisoners therein and for the service of 9 all criminal processes and the performance of all duties 10 relating to the enforcement of all criminal laws. Such 11 necessary incidental expenses as are just and proper, in-12 curred in the performance of their public duties, including 13 all necessary expenses for aid in keeping the jails, shall 14 be allowed by the respective boards of county commission-15 ers of said counties and paid from the county treasuries.

Sect. 42. The county commissioners in the several coun-2 ties shall receive annual salaries from the treasuries of the 3 counties in monthly payments paid on the last day of each 4 month, as follows:

Androscoggin, seven hundred fifty dollars. Aroostook, eleven hundred dollars. Cumberland, fifteen hundred dollars. Franklin, four hundred fifty dollars. Hancock, seven hundred fifty dollars. Kennebec, one thousand dollars. Knox, four hundred dollars. Lincoln, three hundred dollars. Oxford, six hundred dollars. Penobscot, twelve hundred dollars. Piscataquis, five hundred dollars. Sagadahoc, four hundred dollars. Somerset, six hundred fifty dollars. Waldo, four hundred dollars. 7

York, eight hundred and fifty dollars.

Said salaries shall be in full for all services, expenses 2 and travel, including the management of the jails and work-3 shops and the sale of their products, except actual neces-4 sary cash expenses incurred outside of their respective 5 counties for the transaction of official business; all bills 6 for such expenses shall be approved by the clerk of courts 7 and the county attorney of their county; excepting also, 8 such expenses as are provided for in section twenty-six of 9 chapter eighty-three.

Sect. 43. Registers of deeds in the several counties shall 2 receive annual salaries from the treasuries of the counties 3 in monthly payments paid on the last day of each month, 4 as follows:

Androscoggin, fifteen hundred dollars.

Aroostook, northern registry, one thouasnd dollars; South-

2 ern registry, eighteen hundred dollars.

Cumberland, twenty-five hundred dollars.

Franklin, eleven hundred dollars.

Hancock, fifteen hundred dollars.

Kennebec, eighteen hundred dollars.

Knox, twelve hundred fifty dollars.

Lincoln, one thousand dollars.

Oxford, Eastern registry, twelve hundred dollars; Western

2 registry, six hundred dollars.

Penobscot, seventeen hundred dollars.

Piscataquis, one thousand dollars.

Sagadahoc, eleven hundred dollars.

Somerset, fifteen hundred dollars.

Waldo, one thousand dollars.

Washington, sixteen hundred dollars, thirteen hundred 2 and fifty dollars, beginning with the first day of January, 3 nineteen hundred twenty-one.

York, fifteen hundred dollars.

The sums above mentioned shall be in full compensation 2 for the performance of all official duties and no other fees 3 of compensation shall be allowed them. All registers, ex-4 cept the western district of Oxford county, shall devote 5 their entire time to the duties of the office. They shall 6 account quarterly under oath to the county treasurers for 7 all fees received by them or payable to them by virtue of 8 the office, specifying the items, and shall pay the whole o amount of the same to the treasurers of their respective 10 counties quarterly on the first days of January, April, July 11 and October of each year. They may make abstracts and 12 copies from the records and furnish the same to persons 13 calling for them and may charge a reasonable fee for such 14 service, but shall not give an opinion upon the title to 15 real estate. Fees charged by them for abstracts and copies. 16 shall be retained by them and not paid to the county.

Sect. 44. County treasurers in the several counties shall 2 receive annual salaries from the treasuries of the counties 3 in monthly payments paid on the last day of each month, 4 as follows: Androscoggin, thirteen hundred dollars. Aroostook, eight hundred dollars. Cumberland, two thousand dollars. Franklin, four hundred dollars. Hancock, five hundred dollars. Kennebec, fifteen hundred dollars. Knox, four hundred dollars. Lincoln, three hundred dollars. Oxford, six hundred fifty dollars. Penobscot, thirteen hundred dollars. Piscataquis, five hundred dollars. Sagadahoc, three hundred fifty dollars. Somerset, six hundred dollars.

Washington, eight hundred dollars, seven hundred dollars, 2 beginning with the first day of January, nineteen hundred 3 twenty-one.

York, eight hundred fifty dollars.

Each of the counties above named shall pay the premium 2 on the official bond of its treasurer.

Lincoln county: For clerks in the office of register of 2 deeds, two hundred dollars; for clerks in the office of reg-3 ister of probate, one hundred sixty dollars; for clerks in 4 the office of clerk of courts, two hundred dollars.

Sect. 45. The several county treasurers shall pay weekly 2 to the clerks employed by the several officials in their re-3 spective counties the wages to which they may be entitled 4 and shall take their individual receipts therefor. County 5 officials for whom provision for clerk hire may be made, 6 shall certify to the county treasurer the names of the clerks 7 and the weekly wages at which they may be employed. 8 Clerks shall be allowed a vacation not exceeding two weeks 9 in any one year without loss of pay. The total sums to be 10 paid annually to such clerks as wages shall not exceed the 11 following :

In Androscoggin county: For clerks in the office of reg-2 ister of deeds, twelve hundred forty-eight dollars; for clerks 3 in the office of register of probate, one thousand forty dol-4 lars; for clerks in the office of clerk of courts, seven hun-5 dred eighty dollars.

In Aroostook county: For clerks in the office of register 2 of deeds, of the Northern district, one thousand dollars; 3 for clerks in the office of register of deeds for the Southern 4 district, eighteen hundred dollars; for clerks in the office 5 of register of probate, seven hundred eighty dollars; for 6 clerks in the office of the clerk of courts, two thousand 7 dollars; for expenses of clerk of courts and his subordinates 8 while attending session of supreme judicial courts at Cari-9 bou, such sums as allowed by courts.

Cumberland county: For clerks in the office of register of 2 deeds, twenty-eight hundred and eight dollars; for clerks 3 in the office of register of probate, twenty-eight hundred 4 and eight dollars; for clerks in the office of clerk of courts, 5 twenty-eight hundred and eight dollars, with the further

6 sum of eight hundred dollars for the year nineteen hun-7 dred nineteen, for the completion of unfinished records, 8 for clerks in the office of recorder of the Portland municipal 9 court, fourteen hundred and four dollars, and for clerks in 10 the office of county attorney, six hundred dollars, and for 11 clerks in the office of sheriff, six hundred dollars; for clerks 12 in the office of county treasurer, five hundred dollars. No 13 clerk shall receive more than eighteen dollars per week.

Franklin county: For clerks in the office of register of 2 deeds, five hundred dollars; for clerks in the office of reg-3 ister of probate, two hundred dollars; for clerks in the 4 office of clerk of courts, three hundred dollars.

Hancock county: For clerks in the office of register of 2 deeds, fifteen hundred dollars; for clerks in the office of 3 register of probate, six hundred twenty-four dollars; for 4 clerks in the office of clerk of courts, six hundred dollars.

Kennebec county: For clerks in the office of register of 2 deeds, eighteen hundred dollars; for clerks in the office of 3 register of probate, seven hundred eighty dollars; for clerks 4 in the office of clerk of courts, fifteen hundred dollars.

Knox county: For clerks in the office of register of deeds, 2 five hundred twenty dollars; for clerks in the office of reg-3 ister of probate, five hundred twenty dollars; for clerks 4 in the office of clerk of courts, six hundred twenty-four dol-5 lars.

Oxford county: For clerks in the office of register of 2 deeds, six hundred dollars; for clerks in the office of the

3 register of probate, two hundred fifty dollars; for clerks4 in the office of the clerk of courts, two hundred dollars.

Penobscot county: For clerks in the office of register 2 of deeds, two thousand eighty dollars; for clerks in the 3 office of register of probate, fifteen hundred dollars; for 4 clerks in the office of the clerk of courts, fifteen hundred 5 dollars; for clerks in the office of county attorney, six hun-6 dred dollars.

Piscataquis county: For clerks in the office of register 2 of deeds, six hundred twenty-four dollars; for clerks in the 3 office of register of probate, three hundred dollars; for 4 clerks in the office of clerk of courts, six hundred twenty-5 four dollars.

Sagadahoc county: For clerks in the office of register of 2 deeds, seven hundred eighty dollars; for clerks in the of-3 fice of register of probate, seven hundred eighty dollars; 4 for clerks in the office of clerk of courts, seven hundred 5 eighty dollars.

Somerset county: For clerks in the office of register of 2 deeds, five hundred dollars; for clerks in the office of regis-3 ter of probate, three hundred fifty dollars; for clerks in 4 the office of clerk of courts, six hundred dollars.

Waldo county: For clerks in the office of register of 2 deeds, eleven hundred forty-four dollars; for clerks in the 3 office of register of probate, two hundred dollars; for clerks 4 in the office of the clerk of courts, five hundred dollars.

Washington county: For clerks in the office of register

2 of deeds, seven hundred eighty dollars; for clerks in the
3 office of register of probate, seven hundred eighty dollars;
4 for clerks in the office of clerk of courts, seven hundred
5 eighty dollars.

York county: For clerks in the office of register of deeds, 2 eighteen hundred dollars; for clerks in the office of regis-3 ter of probate, twelve hundred forty-eight dollars; for clerks 4 in the office of the clerk of courts, one thousand dollars.

Chapters 39, 152, 153, 167, 173, 194, 223, 236, 239, 242, 279 2 and 292 of the public laws of 1917 are hereby repealed.'