

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTIETH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 5

In Senate, January 18, 1921.

On motion by Senator Gillen reconsidered vote to refer to Committee on Salaries and Fees, tabled and 500 copies ordered printed.

L. ERNEST THORNTON, Secretary.

Presented by Mr. Viles of Augusta.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND
NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE

AN ACT to Amend Sections Twelve and Fifteen, of Chapter Nine, of the Revised Statutes, and Section Thirty-two, of Chapter One Hundred Seventeen, of the Revised Statutes, Relating to the Board of State Assessors.

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

Section 1. Section twelve, of chapter nine, of the revised
2 statutes, is hereby amended by adding after the word
3 "state", in the fifth line thereof the words: 'and to the state
4 auditor;,' also by adding to said section the following words:
5 'The board of state assessors is also authorized, in any case
6 where an error has occurred, to assess a supplemental tax

7 upon any town, corporation or company, making returns
8 to said board. All taxes assessed by the board shall be
9 set up upon the books of the state auditor and be charged
10 to the treasurer of state;’ so that as amended said section
11 shall read as follows:

‘Sect. 12. The board of state assessors may, within one
2 year from the assessment, if justice requires, make an
3 abatement of any state, county or forestry district taxes.
4 A list of such abatements, and the amount of same, shall
5 be transmitted by the board of state assessors to the treas-
6 urer of state and to the state auditor, and such amount or
7 amounts shall be deducted from such taxes. The board of
8 state assessors is also authorized, in any case where an
9 error has occurred, to assess a supplemental tax upon any
10 town, corporation or company, making returns to said
11 board. All taxes assessed by the board shall be set upon
12 the books of the state auditor and be charged to the treas-
13 urer of state.’

Sect. 2. Section fifteen, of chapter nine, of the revised
2 statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred ninety-five,
3 of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nineteen, is
4 hereby amended by striking out after the word “necessary”,
5 in the third line thereof, the words “at an expense not ex-
6 ceeding two thousand eight hundred dollars a year;” and
7 by adding to said section the words ‘within the appropria-
8 tion for that purpose;’ so that as amended said section shall
9 read as follows:

‘Sect. 15. They shall be provided with suitable rooms in
2 the state house and may employ assistance in addition to
3 a chief clerk, as they shall deem necessary within the ap-
4 propriation for that purpose.’

Sect. 3. Section thirty-two, of chapter one hundred sev-
2 enteen of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter one
3 hundred eighty-three, of the public laws of nineteen hun-
4 dred and seventeen, is hereby further amended by strik-
5 ing out after the word “of”, in the second line of said
6 section, the words “two thousand,” and inserting in place
7 thereof the words ‘four thousand’; also by striking out the
8 following words after the word “duties” in the third line
9 of said section: “The clerk of the board of state assessors
10 shall receive an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars,”
11 and by inserting in place thereof the words, ‘They shall
12 employ a chief clerk and such other clerical assistance as
13 may be necessary. The chief clerk in the office of the board
14 of state assessors shall receive an annual salary of three
15 thousand dollars and he shall also receive his actual ex-
16 penses incurred in the performance of his official duties;’
17 so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

‘Sect. 32. Each member of the board of state assessors
2 shall receive an annual salary of four thousand dollars.
3 They shall also receive their actual expenses incurred in
4 the performance of their official duties. They shall employ
5 a chief clerk and such other clerical assistance as may be
6 necessary. The chief clerk in the office of the board of

7 state assessors shall receive an annual salary of three thou-
8 sand dollars and he shall also receive his actual expenses
9 incurred in the performance of his official duties.'