

EIGHTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 136

In Senate, Feb. 23, 1923.

Reported by Mr. Hussey from Committee on Judiciary and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

L. ERNEST THORNTON, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Eaton of Oxford.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend the Eighteenth Paragraph of Section Forty-three of Chapter One Hundred and Seventeen of the Revised Statutes in Relation to the Time of Payments by Registers of Deeds to County Treasurers.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows: The eighteenth paragraph of section forty-three of chap-2 ter one hundred and seventeen of the revised statutes is 3 hereby amended by striking out the word "first" in the 4 eighth line of said paragraph, and substituting therefor the 5 word 'fifteenth,' so that said paragraph as amended shall 6 read as follows:

'The sums above mentioned shall be in full compensation

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2 for the performance of all official duties and no other fees 3 or compensation shall be allowed them. All registers, ex-4 cept in 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 9 amount of the same to the treasurers of their respective 10 counties quarterly on the fifteenth days of January, April, II July and October of each year. They may make abstracts 12 and copies from the records and furnish the same to per-13 sons calling for them and may charge a reasonable fee for 14 such service, but shall not give an opinion upon the title 15 to real estate. Fees charged by them for abstracts and 16 copies shall be retained by them and not paid to the 17 county.'