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EIGHTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 166

In Senate, March 2, 1923.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

L. ERNEST THORNTON, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Buzzell of Waldo.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to the Deposits in the County Treasury of Certain Sums of Money Derived from Estates in the Probate Court.

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

Section twenty-four of chapter seventy of the revised stat2 utes is hereby amended by striking out the words "county
3 commissioners" in the sixth line thereof and inserting in
4 place thereof the words 'judge of probate,' and the words
5 "county commissioners" in the seventh and eighth lines
6 thereof, and inserting in place thereof the words 'judge of
7 probate,' and the word "warrant" in the eighth line thereof,
8 and inserting in place of the word "warrant" the word

9 'decree,' so that said section, when amended, shall read as 10 follows:

'Sect. 24. Payment of deposit by county treasurer; list 2 of depositors published annually; deposits shall escheat to 3 county after twenty years. 1911, c. 134. 1913, c. 170. At 4 any time within twenty years from the date when the de-5 posit mentioned in section twenty is made with the county 6 treasurer, the person entitled thereto or his executor, ad-7 ministrator or assigns, may present to the judge of probate 8 evidence of his right to the same, and upon satisfactory 9 proof that he or they are entitled thereto, the judge of pro-10 bate shall by decree, direct the county treasurer to pay over II to such person or persons the amount of the original de-12 posit, with interest at the rate of two per cent per annum 13 from the date of deposit; provided, that all sums of money 14 paid to the county treasurer by any savings bank shall draw 15 interest at the same rate as was paid by said bank at the 16 time of payment to the county treasurer. The county treas-17 urer shall annually in the month of January publish in one 18 or more newspapers, published and printed within the 19 county, and in the state paper, a list of all persons entitled 20 to such deposits. The county shall have the use and income 21 of all such deposits and after twenty years from the date 22 of each deposit, if not claimed and paid over to the person 23 entitled thereto, his heirs, executors, administrators or as-24 signs, the same shall escheat to the county; provided, how-25 ever, that in the case of deposits assigned by the judges

of probate to the several county treasurers, the said period of twenty years shall commence on the date of such assignments; but every person entitled to receive and be paid any such deposit made before the twenty-ninth day of March, nineteen hundred and eleven, shall be entitled to receive and be paid the amount of such original deposit with such interest thereon as is shown by the bank-book of such original deposit at the date of such payment to such person.'