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NEW DRAFT

EIGHTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

S. P. No. 593

S. D. No. 271

In Senate, March 27, 1925.

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

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to the Attorney General.

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

Section sixty-seven of chapter eighty-two of the revised

- 2 statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred and ten of
- 3 the public laws of nineteen hundred and nineteen, and by
- 4 chapter one hundred and forty of the public laws of nine-
- 5 teen hundred and twenty-three, is hereby further amended
- 6 by inserting after the word "law" in the eighteenth line,
- 7 the words 'except that in the absence or inability to act of
- 8 the attorney general and deputy attorney general he may
- 9 perform all the duties required of the attorney general by
- 10 chapters fifty-one and sixty-two of the revised statutes and

11 all acts amendatory thereof or additional thereto,' and by
12 adding to said section the following: 'All acts done and
13 duties heretofore performed by any such assistant attorney
14 general pursuant to the provisions of chapters fifty-one and
15 sixty-two of the revised statutes or any acts amendatory
16 thereof or additional thereto, shall have the same force and
17 effect as if done and performed by the attorney general or
18 by the deputy attorney general,' so that said section as
19 amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 67. The attorney general shall appoint a deputy 2 attorney general, who shall serve during the pleasure of 3 the attorney general or until a successor is duly appointed 4 and qualified. His office shall be at the capitol and he may 5 perform all the duties required of the attorney general by 6 chapter fifty-one, and such other duties as the attorney 7 general may require of him. The attorney general may 8 also appoint such assistant attorneys general as the duties o of the office may require with such powers and duties as 10 he may delegate. The compensations of the deputy attor-11 ney general and any assistant attorneys general appointed, 12 shall be fixed by the attorney general with the approval of 13 the governor and council, but such compensations shall not 14 in the aggregate exceed the amount appropriated therefor. 15 The attorney general shall biennially designate one of the 16 assistant attorneys general to assist the members of the 17 legislature in the drafting of acts and resolves. Such as-

18 sistant attorney general shall devote all his time during the 10 legislative session to this work, but shall not receive extra 20 compensation therefor. The attorney general shall also in-21 struct one of his assistant attorneys general to devote his 22 entire time to the enforcement of the inheritance tax law, 23 except that in the absence or inability to act of the attorney 24 general and deputy attorney general he may perform all 25 the duties required of the attorney general by chapters fifty-26 one and sixty-two of the revised statutes and all acts amend-27 atory thereof or additional thereto, and the salary and ex-28 penses of such assistant attorney general shall be paid from 29 the appropriation for salaries and clerk hire of said depart-30 ment. All acts done and duties heretofore performed by 31 any such assistant attorney general pursuant to the pro-32 visions of chapters fifty-one and sixty-two of the revised 33 statutes or any acts amendatory thereof or additional there-34 to shall have the same force and effect as if done and per-35 formed by the attorney general or by the deputy attorney 36 general.'