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EIGHTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

Senate Document

No. 314

S. P. 655

In Senate, March 6, 1929.

Referred to Committee on Revision of Statutes and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Oakes of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend and Consolidate Section Eighty-nine of Chapter Eighty-two of the Revised Statutes and Sections Nine and Ten of Chapter Eighty-four of the Revised Statutes, Relative to Clerks of Court, Deputy Clerks of Court and Clerks Pro Tempore.

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

Section eighty-nine of chapter eighty-two and sections nine

- 2 and ten of chapter eighty-four of the revised statutes are
- 3 hereby amended by striking out all of said sections and
- 4 by substituting in place thereof the following section to be
- 5 numbered section nine of said chapter eighty-four:

'Sect. 9. Clerk of supreme judicial also clerk of superior

2 courts; deputies; oath and bond; clerk pro tempore. The 3 clerk of the supreme judicial court is also clerk of the 4 superior court in each county wherever such court is or 5 hereafter may be established. Such clerk may appoint one 6 or more deputies who shall perform all duties required of 7 them by said clerk and for all whose official acts the clerk 8 is responsible, and in the performance of such duties said 9 deputy shall have all the powers of the clerk. Such deputy 10 or deputies in each of the several counties shall officiate in 11 the supreme judicial, superior, and county commissioners 12 court whenever directed by the clerk, and with equal effect.

Before entering upon his official duties each deputy shall 2 be sworn and give bond to the clerk, approved by the county 3 commissioners and lodged in the office of the county treas-4 urer, in the sum of eight thousand dollars, with two or 5 more sureties if an individual and with at least one surety 6 if a corporation bond, conditioned that he will faithfully 7 perform the duties of his office. Whenever the office of 8 clerk shall be vacant by reason of death or resignation the 9 chief justice of the supreme judicial court shall appoint a 10 clerk to act as such until an appointment is made by the 11 governor and council. Whenever a clerk is absent or the 12 office is vacant and an existing or immediate session of the 13 court renders it necessary the court may appoint a clerk 14 pro tempore. He shall be sworn and give such bonds as 15 the court orders.'