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Presented by Mr. Pike of Bridgton.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-SEVEN

AN ACT to Make Uniform the Costs in Municipal Courts.

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

Sec. 1. Costs and fees. The costs and fees taxed and allowed in all the municipal courts shall be as follows:

Costs in civil actions. Costs to parties and attorneys in civil actions shall be:

To plaintiffs who prevail:

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(a) Where the damages recovered amount to \$20 or more	· ;
Writ \$3.	54
Entry	50
Officers' fees for serving writ, as allowed by	
the court —	
Attendance, each term 3.	50
Travel, each term	66
Witnesses' fees, as allowed by the court —	
Taxing costs	25
(b) Where the damages recovered amount to less than \$	20;
Writ 2.0	00
Entry .	50

Officers' fees for serving writ, as allowed by	
the court	
Attendance, each term	2.00
Travel, each term	.66
Witnesses' fees, as allowed by the court	
Taxing costs	.25
To defendants, who prevail:	
Pleadings	2.00
Witnesses' fees, as allowed by the court	
Attendance, each term	2.00
Travel, each term	.66
To trustees, who make disclosure at the return term:	
Disclosure	\$1.00
Attendance, each term	2.00
Travel, each term	.66
Witness fees, as allowed by the court	

If the prevailing party actually travels more than 10 miles for the special purpose of attending court in any such action, he may be allowed by the court for every 10 miles so traveled, but not exceeding 40 miles .33

The allowance for travel and attendance to parties recovering costs shall be limited to 2 terms, except that the court, for good and sufficient cause, may order allowance for additional terms.

Copies of papers for removal, or appeal, to the superior court, to be paid by the appellant and taxed in his costs if he finally prevails 2.00

Fees in criminal cases.

Receiving a complaint and issuing a warrant	\$1.00
Entering a complaint, swearing witnesses, filing papers and certifying	
costs to the county commissioners	·75
Trial of an issue, each day	3.00
Recognizing parties charged with crimes for appearance at the	
superior court, certifying and returning the same	.50
Mittimus for the commitment of any person issuing a subpoena	
separate from the warrant	.10
Taxing costs	.25
Copies of papers for the superior court	2.00
Witnesses: in civil and criminal cases:	
For each day's attendance	2.00
For each mile's travel going and returning home	.06

The aforesaid fees when received shall be disposed of as provided by the public laws or by the acts establishing the respective courts.

Sec. 2. Repeal. All acts and parts of acts, both public and private, inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.