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House of Representatives, February 9, 1939.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and 500 copies ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Burbank of Chelsea.

S T A T E O F M A I N E

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-NINE

AN ACT Relative to Jail Auditors.

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

R. S., c. 94, § 38, amended. Section 38 of chapter 94 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

‘Sec. 38. Commissioners to furnish supplies for jails; not to be interested parties; bills and accounts to be audited. The county commissioners of the several counties shall, without extra charge or commission to themselves or to any other person, procure all necessary supplies, including necessary food, fuel, bedding, and clothing for the jails and the prisoners therein to be furnished and purchased under their direction and at the expense of the counties. No county commissioner shall be interested directly or indirectly in the purchase of any such supplies or in any contract therefor made by the board of which and while he is a member thereof, and all contracts made in violation hereof are void. A suitable person shall be employed to prepare the food of the prisoners in each county at the expense of the county, and the service of the food to the prisoners shall be under the general direction of the jailer, master or keeper. The person employed to prepare the food of the prisoners shall be appointed by the sheriff in each county subject to the approval of the county commissioners. The county commissioners may at any time direct specific rations or arti-

cles of food, clothing, soap, fuel, or other necessities to be furnished and served to the prisoners. The bills and accounts for supplies furnished and the items of expense incurred in preparing and serving the same shall be audited quarterly by some competent person appointed by one of the justices of the superior court and paid by the county treasurer. For services in auditing said account said justice shall allow reasonable compensation to be paid from the county treasury by the state department of audit, as provided by chapter 206 of the public laws of 1937.'