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S. P. 475

In Senate, March 8, 1939.

Received by unanimous consent. Referred to Committee on Judiciary.  
Sent down for concurrence and 500 copies ordered printed.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Burns of Aroostook.

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## S T A T E   O F   M A I N E

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
THIRTY-NINE

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### AN ACT Relating to Fines Paid to Municipal Courts.

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 144, § 1, amended.** Section 1 of chapter 144 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

**'Sec. 1. Appointment of municipal and police judges; salaries; all fees to be paid over.** Judges of municipal courts shall be appointed and shall hold their offices as provided in the constitution. Their salaries, unless established by law, shall be fixed by the municipal officers of their towns, and be paid quarterly from the treasuries thereof, and shall not be diminished during their continuance in office; and all fees received by them shall be paid ~~quarterly~~ **monthly** into said treasuries, except when their compensation is fixed by law, by the allowance to them, in whole or in part, of the fees accruing ~~in~~ **to** their courts. All fees of such courts paid to the jailer after commitment, shall be paid over by him, ~~quarterly~~ **monthly to the court from which they were committed into said treasuries.**'

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 148, § 7, amended.** Section 7 of chapter 148 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

**'Sec. 7. Magistrates to pay over fines to those entitled to same.** Every trial justice or judge of a municipal court shall render, under oath, an ac-

count of all fines and forfeitures upon convictions and sentences before him, and pay them over ~~within two months after he receives the same~~ **monthly with a detailed account of each case determined the prior month;** to the treasurer of the town if they accrue to the town, and to the ~~treasurer~~ **county commissioners** of the county if they accrue to the state or county, or to any corporation, person, society, or association, in whole or in part, for the use of the party entitled thereto; and for any neglect in making such payments, he forfeits in each instance double the amount so neglected to be paid over, to be recovered by indictment for the parties entitled to such fines and forfeitures, and in default of payment, according to the sentence of the court, he shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than 6 months.'