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In Senate, January 30, 1941.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary and sent down for concurrence.
500 copies ordered printed.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Hildreth of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Probation Officers for Cumberland County.

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

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1905, c. 346, § 1, amended. Section 1 of chapter 346 of the private and special laws of 1905, as amended by chapter 86 of the private and special laws of 1931, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 1. Appointment approved by judge of superior court or by chief justice of the supreme judicial court. The judge of the municipal court for the city of Portland shall appoint one person as probation officer, to be approved by a judge of the superior court resident in Cumberland county or by the chief justice of the supreme judicial court. **Said probation officer shall be a person qualified by personality, professional training and executive or supervisory experience in a social agency using professional standards, to direct an effective probation service.** Said probation officer shall act under the direction of said courts. The terms of office of said officer shall be for the period of 2 years, or until removed by the judge of either of said courts. A record of said appointment and approval and of any such removal shall be made by the clerk of said superior court and said clerk shall notify the county commissioners and the county treasurer of the

county of Cumberland of the same. Said judge of said municipal court ~~shall may~~ also appoint 2 persons as assistant probation officers **and a third person as probation clerk**, to be approved in the same manner as above provided in the case of the probation officer. **The first assistant probation officer shall be designated as juvenile probation officer and shall be a person qualified by personality, professional training and experience in a social agency using professional standards, to deal with juvenile cases. Said probation clerk shall maintain accurate records of service rendered by the probation department and shall act as secretary of the department.** Said assistant probation officers **and probation clerk** shall serve during the pleasure of said judge and shall have the same authority and powers under the direction of said probation officer as said probation officer has under this act. A record of said appointments and approval and of any such approval shall be made by the clerk of said superior court and said clerk shall notify the county commissioners and the county treasurer of the county of Cumberland of the same.'

Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1905, c. 346, § 3, amended. Section 3 of chapter 346 of the private and special laws of 1905, as amended by chapter 86 of the private and special laws of 1931, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 3. Salary. ~~The salary salaries of said probation officer, shall be seventeen hundred dollars per year, the salary of the first assistant probation officer shall be thirteen hundred dollars per year and the salary of the second assistant probation officer shall be eight hundred eighty-four dollars per year~~ assistant probation officers and probation clerk shall be determined by the judge of the municipal court for the city of Portland with the approval of a judge of the Superior Court resident in Cumberland county. All of said salaries shall be payable monthly in equal installments by the county treasurer of the county of Cumberland upon warrants drawn by the county commissioners of said county.

When a person has been placed on probation the court may direct and authorize the probation officer to expend for the temporary support of such person, or for his transportation, or for both such purposes such reasonable sum as the court shall consider expedient and any sums so expended, together with actual disbursements for necessary expenses made by said probation officer while in the performance of his duty, shall be reimbursed to him out of the county treasury of the county of Cumberland after approval of the recorder of said municipal court when said expenditure was made by order of the judge of said court, or, in his absence, the recorder, or when said duties were performed on account of said municipal

court, and by the clerk of said superior court when the expenditure was made by order of the judge thereof, or when said duties were performed on account of said superior court, ~~provided that said officer shall not be allowed in all for such disbursements exclusive of said expenditures made by special order of said courts, a greater sum than three hundred dollars in any one year.~~