

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# NINETY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

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S. P. 391

In Senate, February 15, 1949.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Brewer of Aroostook.

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## STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-NINE

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### **AN ACT Relating to Investigation of Fire Hazards and Causes of Fires.**

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

**R. S., c. 85, §§ 70-71, additional.** Chapter 85 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto 2 new sections to be numbered 70 and 71, to read as follows:

**‘Sec. 70. Purpose.** The purpose of sections 70 and 71 is to promote the public welfare of Aroostook county by creating and providing for a county fire marshal, in order that the county may have a qualified and trained fire inspector available at all times.

**Sec. 71. Appointment of county fire marshal.** A county fire marshal for Aroostook county, hereinafter in sections 70 and 71 called the “marshal”, shall be appointed by the county commissioners with the approval of the Aroostook county fire chief’s association, and shall hold his office for 2 years, and until his successor has been appointed and qualified. The location of his office shall be as designated by the county commissioners. He shall keep a correct account of all his doings. He shall receive an annual salary of \$4,000 from the treasury of Aroostook county, in monthly payments paid on the last day of each month, and shall be paid his actual expenses incurred by him in the performance of his duties in an amount not

to exceed \$2,500. The municipal officers of the towns in said county may authorize such marshal to perform the duties imposed upon them by sections 24, 25 and 27, and when so authorized, said marshal shall have all the powers thereby conferred, and shall perform all the duties therein prescribed. Such marshal shall furnish the insurance commissioner with information as he may require, and shall perform such inspections as the insurance commissioner may direct.'