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H. P. 1109

House of Representatives, February 14, 1951.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Martin of Augusta.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-ONE

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**AN ACT Amending the Charter of the City of Augusta in Regard to  
Criminal Fees.**

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

**P. & S. L., 1919, c. 75, § 17, amended.** Section 17 of chapter 75 of the private and special laws of 1919, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

**'Sec. 17. Chief of police and deputy, compensation; officers' fees; fines and costs in criminal cases.** The chief of police and deputy chief of police in the city of Augusta shall be paid salaries or a per diem compensation, to be fixed by the city council of said city, and payable from the treasury thereof. Such officers shall not be paid any fee for any official service in any criminal case in the county except as provided in sections 20 and 23 of this charter. The fees of such officers for services in criminal cases shall be taxed and allowed as in behalf of the sheriffs and ~~fifty per cent thereof~~ **the entire amount so taxed and allowed after first deducting fees referred to in sections 20 and 23 of this charter, shall be annually paid by the county treasurer to the said city and the balance shall revert to the county and be covered into the County Treasury. When the said fifty per cent ex-**

~~exceeds the annual salary or compensation of any such officer, such excess shall not be paid to the said city, but shall be covered into the county treasury.~~ Such officers may retain for their own use all fees received by them in civil cases. No such officer shall receive from any respondent in any criminal case any fine or costs, but in all such cases such fine and costs shall be paid to the judge issuing the precept against such respondent.'