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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Cianchette of Pittsfield

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Liability of Sheriffs for Acts of Deputies.

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

R. S., c. 79, § 167, amended. Section 167 of chapter 79 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 167. Deputies; list; uniforms. Every sheriff, elected or appointed, may appoint deputies ~~for whose official misconduct and neglect he is answerable.~~ **The sheriffs shall not be liable for any neglect or misdoings of such deputies.** Their appointment and discharge shall be in writing, signed by him, and recorded in the office of the clerk of courts in his county, and are not valid until so lodged and recorded, except by operation of law or by vacancy in the office of sheriff. He shall also furnish to the clerk of courts in each county the names of the deputies by him appointed from time to time, with the residence and post-office address of each. He shall require any of said deputies, while engaged in the enforcement of the provisions of section 124 of chapter 19, to wear a uniform sufficient to identify themselves as officers of the law. Upon approval of the county commissioners, uniforms required by this section, but not exceeding 2 for any 1 county, shall be furnished by the county.'