

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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S. P. 461

In Senate, March 16, 1955

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

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Chapman, Jr. of Cumberland.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-FIVE

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**AN ACT Relating to Officers of the Legislature.**

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 10, § 3, amended.** Section 3 of chapter 10 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following paragraph:

**'If the Secretary of the Senate and his assistant are absent at the time set for convening the Senate, their duties shall be performed by the Secretary of State or his Deputy.'**

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 10, § 4, amended.** The last sentence of the first paragraph of section 4 of chapter 10 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

**'He shall receive a salary of \$5,000 for the year the Legislature is in regular session and a salary of \$1,500 for the year that the Legislature is not in regular session.'**

**Sec. 3. R. S., c. 10, 4, amended.** The second paragraph of section 4 of chapter 10 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

**'The assistant secretary of the senate shall receive a salary of ~~\$2,400~~ \$2,800; his work shall be performed under the direction of the Secretary.'**

**Sec. 4. R. S., c. 10, § 6, amended.** Section 6 of chapter 10 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following paragraph:

**'If the Clerk of the House and his assistant are absent at the time set for convening the House, their duties shall be performed by the Secretary of State or his Deputy.'**

**Sec. 5. R. S., c. 10, § 7, amended.** Section 7 of chapter 10 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

**'Sec. 7. Clerk and assistant clerk of the house; salaries and duties.** The Clerk of the House of Representatives shall perform the usual duties of his office during the session of the Legislature and index the House Journal. **When the Legislature is not in session he shall keep open his office in the State House on Wednesday of each week and also on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of each week beginning the week following the State election and continuing until the convening of the Legislature, for the convenience of the public and members and members-elect of the Legislature.** He shall when the Legislature is not in session be the Executive Officer of the Legislature, and unless the Legislature otherwise order, have custody of all legislative property and material, arrange for necessary supplies, service and equipment, make all arrangements for incoming sessions of the Legislature, have general oversight of chambers and rooms occupied by the Legislature, permit State Departments to use legislative property, dispose of surplus or obsolete material with the approval of the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate and approve accounts for payment. He shall also perform the services required of him by sections 6 and 8. He shall receive a salary of ~~\$4,500~~ **\$6,000** ~~in full for all official services by him performed during the regular session of the Legislature and for such additional services provided for in this section~~ **\$6,000 for the year in which the Legislature is in regular session and a salary of \$4,000 for the year in which the Legislature is not in regular session.**

The assistant clerk of the House shall receive a salary of ~~\$2,400~~ **\$2,800**; his work shall be performed under the direction of the Clerk.'