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Reported by Senator Chapman from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, and printed under Joint Rules No. 10.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Chapman of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-FIVE

**AN ACT Providing for an Additional Assistant Attorney General and Directing
Review of General Statutes of Towns.**

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 20, § 6, amended. Section 6 of chapter 20 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding after the 3rd sentence, a new sentence, to read as follows:

'The Attorney General may appoint an Assistant Attorney General to assist in matters relating to the duties of the office in municipal and county problems.'

Sec. 2. Review of general statutes of towns authorized. The Attorney General is authorized, during the fiscal years commencing July 1, 1955 and terminating June 30, 1957, to study the present general provisions of the statutes relating to municipalities and in particular Chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes, and to report to the next regular session of the Legislature such changes and amendments as may appear to be necessary or desirable to consolidate and complete such statutes so as to eliminate archaic and contradictory provisions now found in the law and to make such statutes more readily understandable and useful to the municipalities and persons affected thereby. For this purpose the Attorney General may employ the services of the assistant authorized in the foregoing section 1, and such other technical and clerical assistance as he may find necessary.

Sec. 3. Advisory Committee. The Attorney General is further authorized to appoint an Advisory Committee of not more than 12 persons representing municipalities to consult with him and advise during the progress of such study; the members of such Committee to be paid necessary expenses actually incurred in attending such meetings as shall be called by the Attorney General.

Sec. 4. Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of the general fund of the State the sum of \$13,500 to carry out the purposes of this Act, and said sum shall not lapse but shall remain as a carrying account until the purposes of this act have been accomplished.