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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Travel Expenses of Members of Legislature.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, travel expense to members of the Legislature has greatly increased; and

Whereas, the members of the Legislature should be reimbursed for their actual travel expenses so that they should not lose out-of-pocket money in performing their normal public duties; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine, and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 10, § 2, amended. The 1st sentence of section 2 of chapter 10 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 478 of the public laws of 1955, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Each member of the Senate and House of Representatives shall receive \$1,250 for the regular session of the Legislature, and shall be paid for travel at each legislative session once each week at the rate of $\frac{5}{56}$ 8c per mile to and from his place of abode; , the mileage to be determined by the most reasonable direct route.'

Sec. 2. Effective date. The provisions of this act shall be retroactive to the first Wednesday of January, 1957.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.