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No. 340

S. P. 145

In Senate, February 3, 1959.

Referred to Committee on Towns and Counties. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Weeks of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Appointment of Special Deputy Sheriffs.

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

R. S., c. 89, § 152, repealed and replaced. Section 152 of chapter 89 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 393 of the public laws of 1955, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

‘Sec. 152. Special deputies. Sheriffs may at any time appoint and train as special deputies citizens more than 18 years of age. The sheriff or his chief deputy shall order any or all of said special deputies to active duty when a state of war exists, or when the Governor shall proclaim an emergency under chapter 12, or when the State Director of Civil Defense and Public Safety declares that a state of emergency is imminent. Such special deputies shall exercise all the powers of deputy sheriffs appointed under the general law except the service of civil process, for the duration of the emergency that exists or which has been proclaimed or during the time for which they have been ordered to active duty. Such special deputies shall be personally responsible for any unreasonable, improper or illegal acts committed by them in the performance of their duties, but the sheriffs shall not be liable upon their bonds or otherwise for any neglect or misdoings of such deputies.’