

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

## TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

## STATE OF MAINE,

A. D. 1848.

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WILLIAM T. JOHNSON, PRINTER TO THE STATE.

1848.

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PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

1848.

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## CHAP. 49.

## Chapter 49.

An act relating to the duties of the reporter of decisions of the supreme judicial court.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Duties of the reporter of the decisions of the S. J. court.

SECT. 1. The reporter of decisions of the supreme judicial court, shall attend personally all the law terms of said court and make true and authentic reports of all their decisions, written or oral, on all legal questions, whether arising at common law, in equity, or by virtue of its jurisdiction as the supreme court of probate, together with the points made by counsel in argument and the authorities cited. And shall also report all questions of law, that shall arise and be decided in trials for capital offenses, and in the hearing and trial of such other matters as are required to be heard and determined by a majority of the justices of said court.

Duty of the court.

SECT. 2. When judgment in any of the cases mentioned in the preceding section shall be entered at any other than the law term, the court shall communicate to the reporter a statement in writing of their decisions or opinion in the case.

When reporter shall be absent from any law term.

SECT. 3. When the reporter shall be necessarily prevented from attending personally at any law term, he shall depute some suitable person to attend for him and take notes of the arguments and decisions, or the court may appoint a person to officiate in his stead, until he shall resume the performance of his duties, or until another shall be appointed by the governor.

SECT. 4. This act shall take effect from and after its approval by the governor.

[Approved July 22, 1848.]

## Chapter 50.

An act in addition to the sixth chapter of the revised statutes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Duty of clerks of towns and plantations.

In addition to the official returns of votes required by the sixth chapter of the revised statutes, it shall be the duty of each of the clerks of towns and plantations, as soon as practicable after any election for governor, senators, representatives to the legislature, representatives to congress, electors of president and vice president of the United States, and county