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As Passed by the

Seventy-Ninth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1919

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Private and Special Laws

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Chapter 1.

An Act to Appropriate Moneys for the Cost of the Nineteen Hundred and Nineteen Session of the Legislature, for Payment of All Salaries Fixed by Law, for General Departmental Expenses of the State Government and for the Ordinary Current Expenses or Maintenance of the State Institutions, Required for the Period Prior to the Adjournment of the Present Legislature.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, there are no existing appropriations out of which the money for carrying on the government of the State of Maine can be paid, and the appropriation of money for such purpose being an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health or safety, now therefore,

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

Sec. 1. Appropriations for state government during period covered by legislative session. In order to provide for the cost of the nineteen hundred and nineteen session of the legislature, payment of all salaries fixed by law, of the general departmental expenses of the state government, and of the ordinary current expenses or maintenance of the state institutions, required for the period prior to the adjournment of the present legislature, as estimated by the state auditor acting under the provisions of chapter one hundred and seventy-two of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen, \$818,790.42 is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated. All payments hereunder are to be charged to the regular appropriations for the same when made.

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Sec. 2. Emergency. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.

Approved January 15, 1919.

Chapter 2.

An Act to Amend Chapter Six Hundred and Thirty-six of the Private and Special Laws of Eighteen Hundred and Seventy-one, Relating to an Act to Establish a Municipal Court in the City of Lewiston.

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

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1871, c. 636, § 2; relating to jurisdiction of Lewiston municipal court, amended. Section two of chapter six hundred and thirty-six of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one is hereby repealed and the section following herein enacted in lieu thereof:

Sec. 2. Concurrent jurisdiction with Androscoggin superior court. Said municipal court shall have exclusive jurisdiction in all civil actions in which the debt or damages demanded do not exceed twenty dollars, and both parties, or one of the parties and a person summoned as trustee, reside in the city of Lewiston, and shall also have exclusive jurisdiction over all offenses committed within the limits of the same as are cognizable by trial justices; provided, that warrants may be issued upon complaints, for offenses committed in said city of Lewiston by any trial justice in said county; but all such warrants shall be returnable before said court, and no trial justice shall take cognizance over any crime or offense committed in said city or any civil action where said court has exclusive jurisdiction. Said court shall have concurrent jurisdiction with trial justices, justices of the peace, and the municipal court of the city of Auburn, over all such matters, civil or criminal, within the county of Androscoggin, as are by law within their jurisdiction, and shall also have original concurrent jurisdiction with the superior court for Androscoggin county in all civil actions where the debt or damages demanded, exclusive of costs, do not exceed one hundred dollars, and the defendant resides in the county of Androscoggin; said municipal court shall also have concurrent jurisdiction with said superior court of the offenses described in chapter one hundred and twenty-two, sections one, six, seven, eight and ten of the revised statutes, when the value of the property is not alleged to exceed fifty dollars, and may punish by fine not exceeding one hundred dollars or by imprisonment not exceeding six months; and also of the offenses described in chapter one hundred and twenty, section twenty-six, of the revised statutes, and may punish by fine not exceeding fifty dollars or by imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months; also of the offenses described in chapter one hundred and twenty-six, section seven of the revised statutes, and may punish by fine not exceeding fifty dollars