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#### FEES PAID BY EXECUTOR OR ADMINISTRATOR.

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side so that the designation of the ballot, the polling place for which the ballot is prepared, the date of the election and the facsimile of the signature of the secretary of state shall appear on all sides of the folded ballot.

Approved February 19, 1929.

Chapter 4.

An Act to Increase the Salary of the Register of Deeds in the County of Androscoggin.

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

R. S., c. 117, sec. 43; P. L., 1919, c. 214; P. L., 1921, c. 219; P. L., 1923, c. 104; P. L., 1925, c. 45; P. L., 1927, c. 246; relating to salaries of registers of deeds, further amended. Section forty-three of chapter one hundred and seventeen of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred and fourteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nineteen, as amended by chapter two hundred and nineteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-one, as amended by chapter one hundred and four of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-three, as amended by chapter forty-five of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-five, as amended by chapter two hundred forty-six of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, hereby is further amended by striking out in the fifth line thereof the words "Androscoggin, fifteen hundred dollars" and inserting in place thereof the words 'Androscoggin, eighteen hundred dollars,' so the said fifth line as amended, shall read as follows:

Androscoggin county increased. 'Androscoggin, eighteen hundred dollars.'

Approved February 22, 1929.

#### Chapter 5.

An Act to Amend Section Thirty-nine of Chapter Sixty-seven of the Revised Statutes Relating to the Fees to be Paid by Executor or Administrator.

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

R. S., c. 67, sec. 39; relating to fees to be paid by executor or administrator, amended. Section thirty-nine of chapter sixty-seven of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words "fifty cents" in the second, third and fifth lines thereof, and substituting in place thereof, the words, 'one dollar,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 39. Fees for recording increased to \$1.00. For making and cer-

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tifying to the register of deeds copies of devises of real estate, the register of probate shall receive one dollar for each copy so certified, and the register of deeds one dollar for entering and recording the same, said sums to be paid by the executor or administrator when said will is proved, to the register of probate, who shall pay one dollar to the register of deeds at the time said certified copy is furnished to him; and the executor or administrator shall charge said sums in his account.'

Approved February 22, 1929.

#### Chapter 6.

An Act to Amend Section Two of Chapter Two Hundred and Eight of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-five, Permitting Sterilizing Operations. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

**P. L., 1925, c. 208, sec. 2; relating to operations of vasectomy and fallectomy, amended.** Section two of chapter two hundred and eight of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-five, is hereby amended by striking out in the eighth line thereof the words "as well as that of the nearest relative or guardian" and inserting in place thereof the following: 'or the written consent of the guardian when the patient is mentally incompetent to give such consent' and by striking out in the eighteenth line thereof the following, "or nearest relative," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 2. Consent may be obtained of nearest relative or guardian when patient is mentally incompetent to give such consent. When either of the recognized sterilizing operations herein referred to may be indicated for the prevention of the reproduction of further feeble-mindedness, or for the therapeutic treatment of certain forms of mental disease, physicians having the custody of such cases may recommend to the nearest relative, guardian and affected individual the advisability and necessity of such operation; and when the written consent of the patient, when mentally competent to give such consent, or the written consent of the guardian, when the patient is mentally incompetent to give such consent, is given, the physician, having the custody aforesaid of said case shall call a counsel of two registered medical practitioners, one a physician and one a surgeon, of not less than five years' practice and not related to the patient, whose duty it shall be in conjunction with the physician in charge of the case, to examine the individual recommended for operation. Whether the person to be operated upon is mentally capable of giving his consent shall be decided by the consultants and stated in writing, with their reasons therefor, and such written statement shall be kept on file at school

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