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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-seventh Legislature

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justice may be reappointed for a like term, and such justice so appointed and designated shall thereupon constitute a part of the court from which he has retired and shall have the same jurisdiction and be subject to the same restrictions therein as before retirement, except that he shall act only in such cases and matters and hold court only at such terms and times as he may be directed and assigned to by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, and said Chief Justice is empowered and authorized to so assign and designate any such active retired justice of the Supreme Judicial Court as to his services and may direct as to which term of the law court he shall attend, and if the Chief Justice so orders, he may hear all matters and issue all orders, notices, decrees and judgments in vacation that any justice of the Supreme Judicial Court is authorized to hear or issue, either at law or in equity.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 107, § 10, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 10 of chapter 107 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Within 10 days after the service of a bill of complaint or other application in equity, the defendant, prior to the filing of his answer thereto, may ~~petition in writing for good cause shown~~ make application to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court for the assignment of a Justice to preside on the matter other than the Justice to whom the original complaint or application was presented; upon the receipt of such ~~petition~~ application the Chief Justice may assign another Justice to hear the matter. After such assignment, all petitions and motions relating thereto shall be presented to, and all matters relating to said cause shall be considered by, said Justice in the manner prescribed by law for equity matters.'

Effective August 20, 1955

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## Chapter 393

### 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, amended. Section 152 of chapter 89 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 152. Special deputies. Whenever a state of war shall exist or be imminent between the United States and any foreign country, or whenever a state of emergency has been declared to exist under the provisions of chapter 12 relating to civil defense and public safety, sheriffs may appoint male citizens more than 18 years of age not eligible for military service as special deputies, who shall have and exercise all the powers of deputy sheriffs appointed under the general law, except the service of civil process. 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.'

Effective August 20, 1955