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Chapter 411

AN ACT Relating to the Salaries of Register of Deeds and Register of Probate, Cumberland County, and Clerk Hire in Offices of Register of Deeds and Register of Probate.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 89, § 215, amended. That part of section 215 of chapter 89 of the revised statutes which relates to the salary of register of deeds of Cumberland county is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Cumberland, ~~\$4,700~~ \$4,500.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 89, § 254, amended. That part of section 254 of chapter 89 of the revised statutes which relates to Cumberland county is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Cumberland county: for clerks in the office of register of deeds, ~~\$25,000~~ \$28,000; deputy register of deeds, \$3,200; for clerks in the office of register of probate, ~~\$11,700~~ \$14,200; for clerks in the office of clerk of courts, \$10,104; for clerks in the office of the recorder of the Portland municipal court, \$5,096; for clerks in the office of county attorney, \$742; for clerks in the office of sheriff, \$728.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 153, § 2, amended. That part of section 22 of chapter 153 of the revised statutes which relates to the salary of register of probate of Cumberland county is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Cumberland, ~~\$4,000~~ \$4,200.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 412

AN ACT Relating to Fees for Jurors and Witnesses.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 116, § 8, amended. Section 8 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 8. Fees. Grand and traverse jurors attending the Superior Court and jurors attending on any other occasion prescribed by law shall be allowed \$10 for each day's actual ~~\$8 a day for their~~ attendance, and ~~se~~ 10c a mile for their travel out and home once each week, to be paid out of the county treasury.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 113, § 128, amended. Section 128 of chapter 113 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 128. Fees of witnesses. Witnesses in the Supreme Judicial Court or the Superior Court or in the probate courts and before a trial justice or a municipal court shall receive ~~\$~~ \$5, and before referees, auditors or commissioners

specially appointed to take testimony or special commissioners on disputed claims appointed by probate courts, ~~§ 1.50~~ \$5, or before the county commissioners ~~§ 7~~ \$5 for each day's attendance and ~~6c~~ 8c a mile for each mile's travel going and returning home; but the court in its discretion may allow at the trial of any cause, civil or criminal, in said Supreme Judicial Court or the Superior Court, a sum not exceeding ~~§ 25~~ \$50 per day for the attendance of any expert witness or witnesses at said trial, in taxing the costs of the prevailing party, except that the expense of all expert witnesses for the State in murder cases shall be in such amounts as the presiding Justice shall allow and shall be paid by the State and charged against the appropriation for the Department of the Attorney General; but such party or his attorney of record shall first file an affidavit during the term at which such trial is held and before the cause is settled, stating the name, residence, number of days in attendance and the actual amount paid or to be paid each expert witness in attendance at such trial. No more than ~~§ 2~~ \$5 per day shall be allowed or taxed by the clerk of courts in the costs of any suit for the per diem attendance of a witness, unless the affidavit herein provided is filed, and the per diem is determined and allowed by the presiding Justice.'

Sec. 3. **Effective date.** The provisions of this act shall become effective June 1, 1956.

Effective June 1, 1956

Chapter 413

AN ACT Revising the Law Relating to Licensing of Electricians.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 82, § 2, repealed and replaced. Section 2 of chapter 82 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 2. **Definitions.** The following words and phrases when used in sections 1 to 14, inclusive, shall be construed as follows:

I. "Electrical installations" shall mean the installation, repair, alteration and maintenance of electrical conductors, fittings, devices and fixtures for heating, lighting or power purposes. They shall not include the installation or repair of portable appliances and other portable electrical equipment, installation of which involves only the insertion of an attachment plug into a fixed receptacle outlet. It is the meaning and intent of this subsection that the word "portable" shall not include or apply to any type of fixed electrically operated or driven equipment.

II. The words "master electrician" as used in this chapter shall mean a person, firm or corporation, qualified under this chapter, engaging in, or about to engage in, the business of installing electrical wires, conduits, apparatus, fixtures and other electrical equipment. The certificate shall specify the name of the person, who, in case of a firm, shall be one of its members or employees and in case of a corporation, one of its officers or employees passing said examination, by which he or it shall be authorized to enter upon or engage in business as set forth herein. In the case of a firm or corporation the license shall become void upon the death of, or the severance from the company of said person.