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'Each of the Justices of the Superior Court shall receive an annual salary of ~~¢10,500~~ \$11,500.'

Sec. 3. Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of \$12,833 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and \$14,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1957, to carry out the purposes of this act.

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 473

AN ACT Establishing Salaries of Various Department Heads and Commissioners.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 10, § 26, sub-§ VII, amended. The last sentence of subsection VII of section 26 of chapter 10 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'He (Director of Legislative Research) shall receive a salary of ~~¢7,000~~ \$8,000 per year and any necessary traveling expenses;'

(There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of \$834 for the 1955-56 fiscal year and \$1,000 for the 1956-57 fiscal year to carry out the purposes of this section.)

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 14, § 11, amended. The 5th paragraph from the end of section 11 of chapter 14 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The Adjutant General shall receive an annual salary of ~~¢7,000~~ \$8,000; he shall receive no other fee, emolument or perquisite.'

(There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of \$834 for the 1955-56 fiscal year and \$1,000 for the 1956-57 fiscal year to carry out the purposes of this section.)

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 18, § 1, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 1 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The Treasurer of State shall receive an annual salary of ~~¢5,000~~ \$6,000; he shall receive no other fee, emolument or perquisite.'

(There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of \$834 for the 1955-56 fiscal year and \$1,000 for the 1956-57 fiscal year to carry out the purposes of this section.)

Sec. 4. R. S., c. 19, § 1, amended. The last sentence of section 1 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'He (State Auditor) shall receive an annual salary of ~~¢7,000~~ \$8,000.'

(There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of \$834 for the 1955-56 fiscal year and \$1,000 for the 1956-57 fiscal year to carry out the purposes of this section.)

Sec. 5. R. S., c. 20, § 1, amended. The 3rd sentence from the end of the 1st paragraph of section 1 of chapter 20 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The Attorney General shall have an office in the State Capitol and shall receive an annual salary of ~~\$7,000~~ \$8,000 in full for all services and in lieu of all fees.'

(There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of \$834 for the 1955-56 fiscal year and \$1,000 for the 1956-57 fiscal year to carry out the purposes of this section.)

Sec. 6. R. S., c. 21, § 1, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 1 of chapter 21 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The Secretary of State shall receive an annual salary of ~~\$7,000~~ \$8,000. He and his deputy shall also receive such actual traveling expenses incident to the administration of his department as shall be necessary.'

(There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of \$834 for the 1955-56 fiscal year and \$1,000 for the 1956-57 fiscal year to carry out the purposes of this section.)

Sec. 7. R. S., c. 29, § 4, sub-§ II, amended. Subsection II of section 4 of chapter 29 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'II. Salaries. The Chairman of the Commission (Employment Security Commission) shall receive a fixed weekly salary, at the rate of ~~\$7,000~~ \$8,000 per year, and each of the other members shall receive a fixed weekly salary, at the rate of ~~\$6,500~~ \$7,500 per year, and shall be paid from the Employment Security Administration Fund.'

Sec. 8. R. S., c. 30, § 1, amended. The 5th sentence of section 1 of chapter 30 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The Commissioner (Labor and Industry) shall receive an annual salary of ~~\$5,000~~ \$6,000, and in addition \$1,000 annually for his services as a member of the Industrial Accident Commission and his actual, necessary cash expenses while away from his office on official business of the Industrial Accident Commission.'

(There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of \$834 for the 1955-56 fiscal year and \$1,000 for the 1956-57 fiscal year to carry out the purposes of this section.)

Sec. 9. R. S., c. 31, § 29, amended. The 1st sentence of the 3rd paragraph of section 29 of chapter 31 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The Chairman (Industrial Accident Commission) shall receive a salary of ~~\$7,000~~ \$8,000 per year, and the other Commissioners a salary of ~~\$6,500~~ \$7,500 each per year.'

(There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of \$2,502 for the 1955-56 fiscal year and \$3,000 for the 1956-57 fiscal year to carry out the purposes of this section.)

Sec. 10. R. S., c. 32, § 1, amended. The 3rd sentence of section 1 of chapter 32 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'He (Commissioner of Agriculture) shall receive an annual salary of ~~\$7,000~~ \$8,000.'

(There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of \$834 for the 1955-56 fiscal year and \$1,000 for the 1956-57 fiscal year to carry out the purposes of this section.)

Sec. 11. R. S., c. 36, § 1, amended. The last sentence of section 1 of chapter 36 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The Commissioner (Forestry) shall receive an annual salary of ~~\$9,000~~ \$10,000, of which amount ~~\$6,000~~ \$6,667 shall be paid from funds raised and created by the tax assessed under the provisions of section 96.'

Sec. 12. R. S., c. 36, § 109, amended. The last sentence of section 109 of chapter 36 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The Commissioner (Forestry) shall also receive from said funds the sum of ~~\$6,000~~ \$6,667 per year in addition to the salary as now provided by law.'

(There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of \$305 for the 1955-56 fiscal year and \$333 for the 1956-57 fiscal year to carry out the purposes of this section and section 11.)

Sec. 13. R. S., c. 37, § 1, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 1 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The Commissioner (Fisheries and Game) shall receive an annual salary of ~~\$7,000~~ \$8,000 and he shall also receive all necessary traveling expenses.'

Sec. 13-A. R. S., c. 41, § 4, amended. The 1st sentence of section 4 of chapter 41 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The Board shall appoint a Commissioner of Education whenever a vacancy occurs and fix his salary, not to exceed ~~\$9,000~~ \$10,000 per year.'

(There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of \$834 for the 1955-56 fiscal year and \$1,000 for the 1956-57 fiscal year to carry out the purposes of this section.)

Sec. 14. R. S., c. 59, § 1, amended. The 1st paragraph of section 1 of chapter 59 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'A Bank Commissioner, as heretofore appointed, shall be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council, and shall hold his office for 4 years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, and may be removed from office by the Governor and Council for cause. He shall engage in no other business or profession and shall not during his continuance in office hold any office in any bank in the State, nor receive directly or indirectly any remuneration or fee of any kind from any bank, banking house, corporation, association or individual for examining any property or properties or securities. He shall receive an annual salary of ~~\$7,000~~ \$8,000 and his actual traveling expenses incurred in the performance of his duties.'

Sec. 15. R. S., c. 60, § 2, amended. The 5th sentence of section 2 of chapter 60 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'He (Insurance Commissioner) shall receive an annual salary of ~~\$7,000~~ \$8,000.'

(There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of \$834 for the 1955-56 fiscal year and \$1,000 for the 1956-57 fiscal year to carry out the purposes of this section.)

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 474

AN ACT to Supplement Loans by Maine School Building Authority.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 41, § 248, sub-§ XIII-A, additional. Section 248 of chapter 41 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new subsection to be numbered XIII-A, to read as follows:

'XIII-A. As funds may be made available for the purpose, to supplement, on a grant basis, lease agreements with those towns where the maximum loan agreement that the Authority will approve is not sufficient to finance the minimum classroom facilities needed. Determination as to eligibility shall be under such rules and regulations as the Authority shall make and its determination shall be final upon approval of the Governor and Council.

It is the intent of the Legislature that grants of funds to towns under this subsection shall be made only as supplementary financial aid to those towns which cannot finance minimum needed classroom facilities within the maximum loan limit policy of the Authority. Aid granted hereunder is not to be considered as establishing a precedent for granting general capital outlay funds for school construction.'

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of the general fund of the State the sum of \$100,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956 for carrying out the purposes of this act. This appropriation shall be a continuing account and any balances remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall be carried forward to the next fiscal year.

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 475

AN ACT Relating to Driver Education.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 41, §§ 218-A and 218-B, additional. Chapter 41 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto 2 new sections to be numbered 218-A and 218-B, to read as follows:

'Driver Education.

Sec. 218-A. Purpose. The purpose of sections 218-A and 218-B is to develop the knowledge, attitudes, habits and skills necessary for the safe operation of motor vehicles, through classroom instruction and behind the wheel driving