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### ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

# One Hundred and First Legislature

OF THE

## STATE OF MAINE

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### PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

## STATE OF MAINE

As Passed by the One Hundredth Legislature

At The

SPECIAL SESSION, November 27, 1961

to

December 2, 1961

CHAP. 415

PUBLIC LAWS, 1961

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund to the Maine State Retirement System to carry out the purposes of this act the sum of \$840 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1962 and \$2,500 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1963.

Effective March 3, 1962

#### Chapter 415

AN ACT Increasing the Number of Justices of the Superior Court.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless passed as emergencies; and

Whereas, the Constitution of Maine provides that every citizen shall have a remedy by due course of law promptly and without delay; and

Whereas, it appears that the growing population is casting an increasing workload and burden on our Superior Court; and

Whereas, an additional justice to said court should be appointed without delay to expedite and assist in the speedy and prompt disposal of cases pending before said Superior Court; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 106, § 1, amended. The first sentence of section 1 of chapter 106 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'The Superior Court, as heretofore established, shall consist of 8 9 justices and such Active Retired Justices as may be appointed and serving on said court, learned in the law and of sobriety of manners.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 106, § 2, amended. The 2nd sentence of section 2 of chapter 106 of the Revised Statutes, as last repealed and replaced by section 68 of chapter 378 of the public laws of 1959, is amended to read as follows:

'Chapter 103, section 4, relating to reimbursement of Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court for expenses incurred by them shall apply to Justices of the Superior Court, including reimbursement for expenses incurred in employing clerical assistance but which in the aggregate shall not exceed a total sum of \$4,000 \$4,500 per year for all such clerical assistance.'

Sec. 3. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund the sum of \$10,565 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1962 and the sum of \$16,050 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1963 to the Superior Court to carry out the purposes of sections 1 and 2; the breakdown shall be as follows:

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SUPREME JUDICIAL AND SUPERIOR CO	OURTS	
Personal Services (1) All Other	\$ 8,875 1,690	\$13,500 2,550
Total	\$10,565	\$16,050

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

Effective December 2, 1961

#### Chapter 416

AN ACT Providing for Demolition or Dismantling and Reassembling of Morse Bridge in the City of Bangor.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after the Legislature has adjourned unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the Revised Statutes of 1954, chapter 23, section 118, as amended by the public laws of 1955, chapter 313, the public laws of 1959, chapter 257 and the public laws of 1961, chapter 7, requires the State Highway Commission to maintain the Morse Bridge, so called, across Kenduskeag Stream in Bangor; and

Whereas, the State Highway Commission in order to carry out its responsibility to maintain Morse Bridge must either move it to a new location or demolish it in part or in whole; and

Whereas, the bridge must either be moved or demolished in part or in whole during the coming winter months before the next spring run-off; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 23, § 118, amended. The 2nd sentence of section 118 of chapter 23 of the Revised Statutes, as last amended by chapter 7 of the public laws of 1961, is further amended to read as follows:

'This section shall also apply to the maintenance of the bridge between Machiasport and East Machias, all the 22 bridges built under the "Works Program Flood Relief Program," and the following covered bridges: Morse's Bridge, Bangor; Lovejoy Bridge, Andover; Robyville Bridge, Corinth; Hemlock Bridge, Fryeburg, Bennett Bridge, Lincoln Plantation; Watson's Bridge, Littleton; Artist's Bridge, Newry; Lowe's Bridge, Sangerville-Guilford and Babb's Bridge, Windham-Gorham.