

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS, RESOLVES AND CONSTITUTIONAL RESOLUTIONS

AS PASSED BY THE

One Hundred and Sixth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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PUBLIC LAWS  
OF THE  
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Personal Services	(4)	\$21,939	(4)	\$43,878
All Other		11,410		22,820
Capital Expenditures		1,500		—
		\$34,849		\$66,698

Sec. 20. **Effective date.** This Act shall become effective January 1, 1974.

Effective January 1, 1974

## CHAPTER 599

### AN ACT Increasing the Number of Superior Court Justices and Official Court Reporters.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 4, § 101, amended. The first sentence of section 101 of Title 4 of the Revised Statutes, as last amended by section 1 of chapter 504 of the public laws of 1971, is further amended to read as follows:

The Superior Court, as heretofore established, shall consist of ~~13~~ 14 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., T. 4, § 102, amended. The last sentence of section 102 of Title 4 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 1 of chapter 472 of the public laws of 1965 and as last amended by section 2 of chapter 504 of the public laws of 1971, is further amended to read as follows:

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 ~~\$13,000~~ \$14,000 per year for all such clerical assistance.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 4, § 651, amended. The first sentence of section 651 of Title 4 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 4 of chapter 590 of the public laws of 1969 and as last amended by chapter 505 of the public laws of 1971, is further amended to read as follows:

The Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court may appoint not more than ~~15~~ 16 Official Court Reporters to serve ~~for a term of 7 years~~ at his pleasure, who shall report the proceedings in the Supreme Judicial Court and in the Superior Court and who shall be officials of the court to which they may from time to time be assigned by the Chief Justice, and be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties, and each of whom shall receive from the State a salary of \$12,500 per year.

Sec. 4. **Appropriation.** There is appropriated from the General Fund the sum of \$64,750 to carry out the purposes of this Act. The breakdown shall be as follows:

	1973-74	1974-75
SUPREME JUDICIAL AND SUPERIOR COURTS		
Personal Services	(2) \$27,000	(2) \$36,000
All Other	750	1,000
	\$27,750	\$37,000

Effective October 3, 1973

## CHAPTER 600

### AN ACT Creating the Maine Veterans Small Business Loan Authority Board and Establishing a Mortgage Insurance Fund.

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

Whereas, it is essential to the safety, health and welfare of the people of the entire State to enlarge the opportunities for business enterprises and self-employment of Maine's veterans; and

Whereas, the following legislation is vitally necessary for the creation of such business and employment opportunities; 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., T. 37-A, c. 2, sub-c. II, additional. Chapter 2 of Title 37-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 580 of the public laws of 1971, is amended by adding a new subchapter II to read as follows:

### SUBCHAPTER II

#### MAINE VETERANS SMALL BUSINESS LOAN ACT

##### § 41. Organization of Loan Authority Board

The Maine Veterans Small Business Loan Authority Board is hereby created and established a body corporate and politic, hereinafter in this subchapter called the "loan authority board" and is constituted a public instrumentality of the State, and the exercise by the loan authority of the powers conferred by this subchapter shall be deemed and held to be the performance of essential governmental functions. The loan authority board shall consist of 9 members, including the Director of Veterans Services and 8 members at large appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council, for a period of 4 years provided that of the members first appointed, 2 shall