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OF THE  
STATE OF MAINE  
AS PASSED BY THE  
One Hundred and Sixth Legislature  
1ST SPECIAL SESSION  
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AND BY THE  
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7. Resident. "Resident" means a person who is domiciled in Maine.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 5, § 556, repealed and replaced. Section 556 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 218 of the public laws of 1965 and chapter 50 of the public laws of 1967, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 556. Residency and citizenship

Employment in the classified service shall be open to all qualified persons who have been residents of the State of Maine for at least 6 months immediately preceding said employment, except that at the request of the appointing authority the residence requirement may be waived by the Personnel Board in exceptional or emergency cases when such action is necessary for the good of the service.

Employees holding technical or professional positions involving formulation, execution or review of broad public policy shall, in addition, be citizens of the United States of America. This requirement may be waived by the Personnel Board on an individual basis when there exists compelling reasons for such waiver.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 5, § 557, amended. The first paragraph of section 557 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 568 of the public laws of 1973, is amended to read as follows:

In making appointments to any position on an open competitive basis in the classified service or recruiting for the same, preference shall be given to ~~citizens~~ residents of the State of Maine.

Sec. 4. R. S., T. 5, § 673, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 673 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

The director shall determine, subject to the approval of the board, the character, type and content of examination for admission to the classified service; the time and place for holding examinations; the form of application blanks for admission to the examination to be filed by applicants; the minimum requirements for admission to the examination and the value of each phase of the tests used in determining the average rating of the applicant.

Effective June 28, 1974

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## CHAPTER 724

### AN ACT Increasing Salaries of Various County Officers.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 14, § 1252, amended. That part of the first paragraph of section 1252 of Title 14 of the Revised Statutes which relates to the jury commissioners of Lincoln County, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

Lincoln, ~~\$125~~ \$150;

**Sec. 2. R. S., T. 30, § 2, amended.** The first paragraph of section 2 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 3 of chapter 567 of the public laws of 1973, is further amended to read as follows:

The county commissioners, clerks of the judicial courts and their deputies, county treasurers and their deputies, sheriffs, registers of deeds, judges of probate and registers of probate in the several counties shall receive annual salaries from the county treasury in weekly or monthly payments as follows, except that the district attorneys and their assistants shall receive annual salaries from the State Treasury in monthly payments on the last day of each month in a sum which will, in the year's aggregate, most nearly equal the annual salary, as follows, and no other fees, costs or emoluments shall be allowed them, except as hereinafter provided:

**Sec. 3. R. S., T. 30, § 2, amended.** The 2nd to the 17th paragraphs of section 2 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes, except for those parts which relate to the county attorneys, as amended, are further amended to read as follows:

**Androscoggin County:** County commissioners, ~~\$3,587~~ \$3,784; chairman, ~~\$4,220~~ \$4,452; clerk of courts, ~~\$10,392~~ \$10,963; county treasurer, ~~\$7,700~~ \$8,125; sheriff, ~~\$9,759~~ \$10,295; register of deeds, ~~\$8,493~~ \$8,960; judge of probate, ~~\$7,649~~ \$8,069; register of probate, ~~\$7,860~~ \$8,292;

**Aroostook County:** County commissioners, ~~\$1,899~~ \$2,003; except that one member of the board, designated by the board as chief administrative officer, shall receive ~~\$6,858~~ \$7,235; clerk of courts, ~~\$8,500~~ \$8,967; county treasurer, ~~\$3,693~~ \$3,896; sheriff, ~~\$7,913~~ \$8,348; register of deeds, northern district, ~~\$6,858~~ \$7,235; southern district, ~~\$6,858~~ \$7,235; judge of probate, ~~\$5,803~~ \$6,122; register of probate, ~~\$5,275~~ \$5,565;

**Cumberland County:** County commissioners, ~~\$5,486~~ \$5,787; clerk of courts, ~~\$10,080~~ \$10,634; deputy clerk of courts, ~~\$9,450~~ \$9,969; county treasurer, ~~\$9,450~~ \$9,969; sheriff, ~~\$11,100~~ \$11,710; register of deeds, ~~\$9,450~~ \$9,969; deputy register of deeds, ~~\$7,560~~ \$7,975; judge of probate, ~~\$11,394~~ \$12,020; register of probate, ~~\$8,820~~ \$9,820;

**Franklin County:** County commissioners, ~~\$1,583~~ \$1,800; clerk of courts, ~~\$6,066~~ \$6,399; county treasurer, ~~\$2,110~~ \$2,500; sheriff, ~~\$7,174~~ \$7,568; register of deeds, ~~\$6,066~~ \$6,399; judge of probate, ~~\$3,693~~ \$6,000; register of probate, ~~\$6,066~~ \$6,399;

**Hancock County:** County commissioners, ~~\$2,400~~ \$2,532; chairman, ~~\$2,700~~ \$2,848; clerk of courts, ~~\$5,750~~ \$6,066; deputy clerk of courts, ~~\$4,100~~ \$4,325; county treasurer, ~~\$4,500~~ \$4,747; sheriff, ~~\$7,000~~ \$7,385; register of deeds, ~~\$5,750~~ \$6,066; judge of probate, ~~\$5,750~~ \$6,066; register of probate, ~~\$5,750~~ \$6,066;

**Kennebec County:** County commissioners, ~~\$3,376~~ \$3,561; chairman, ~~\$3,693~~ \$3,896; clerk of courts, ~~\$6,620~~ \$7,791; deputy clerk of courts, ~~\$5,164~~ \$5,448; county treasurer, ~~\$5,275~~ \$5,565; sheriff, ~~\$7,913~~ \$8,348; register of deeds, ~~\$7,385~~ \$7,791; judge of probate, ~~\$7,913~~ \$8,348; register of probate, ~~\$5,275~~ \$7,791;

**Knox County:** County commissioners, ~~\$1,733~~ \$1,828; clerk of courts, ~~\$5,803~~ \$6,122; county treasurer, ~~\$1,852~~ \$1,953; sheriff, ~~\$5,971~~ \$6,299; register of deeds, ~~\$5,971~~ \$6,299; judge of probate, ~~\$5,275~~ \$5,565; register of probate, ~~\$4,000~~ \$4,220;

**Lincoln County:** County commissioners, ~~\$1,583~~ \$1,670; chairman, ~~\$2,110~~ \$2,226; clerk of courts, ~~\$6,647~~ \$7,011; county treasurer, ~~\$2,216~~ \$2,337; sheriff, ~~\$7,385~~ \$7,791; register of deeds, ~~\$6,647~~ \$7,012; judge of probate, ~~\$6,330~~ \$6,678; register of probate, ~~\$6,436~~ \$6,789;

**Oxford County:** County commissioners, ~~\$2,250~~ \$2,373; chairman, ~~\$2,450~~ \$2,584; clerk of courts, ~~\$6,225~~ \$6,567; county treasurer, ~~\$3,165~~ \$3,339; sheriff, ~~\$7,385~~ \$7,791; register of deeds, eastern district, ~~\$5,908~~ \$6,232; western district, ~~\$3,587~~ \$3,784; judge of probate, ~~\$4,800~~ \$5,064; register of probate, ~~\$5,064~~ \$5,342;

**Penobscot County:** County commissioners, ~~\$3,482~~ \$3,673; chairman, ~~\$3,745~~ \$3,950; clerk of courts, ~~\$8,018~~ \$8,458; deputy clerk of courts, ~~\$6,858~~ \$7,235; county treasurer, ~~\$4,537~~ \$4,786; sheriff, ~~\$7,913~~ \$8,338; register of deeds, ~~\$7,385~~ \$7,791; judge of probate, ~~\$8,440~~ \$8,904; register of probate, ~~\$6,858~~ \$7,235;

**Piscataquis County:** County commissioners, ~~\$1,583~~ \$1,670; chairman, ~~\$1,800~~ \$2,003; clerk of courts, ~~\$5,803~~ \$6,122; county treasurer, ~~\$2,200~~ \$2,321; sheriff, ~~\$7,174~~ \$7,568; register of deeds, ~~\$6,330~~ \$6,678; judge of probate, ~~\$5,500~~ \$5,802; register of probate, ~~\$5,803~~ \$6,122;

**Sagadahoc County:** County commissioners, ~~\$1,583~~ \$1,670; clerk of courts, ~~\$6,330~~ \$6,678; county treasurer, ~~\$3,165~~ \$3,339; sheriff, ~~\$7,770~~ \$8,197; register of deeds, ~~\$6,594~~ \$6,956; judge of probate, ~~\$5,908~~ \$6,232; register of probate, ~~\$6,330~~ \$6,678;

**Somerset County:** County commissioners, ~~\$1,583~~ \$1,670; chairman, ~~\$1,846~~ \$1,947; clerk of courts, ~~\$6,594~~ \$6,956; county treasurer, ~~\$3,007~~ \$3,172; sheriff, ~~\$6,594~~ \$6,956; register of deeds, ~~\$6,594~~ \$6,956; judge of probate, ~~\$6,594~~ \$6,956; register of probate, ~~\$6,594~~ \$6,956;

**Waldo County:** County commissioners, ~~\$1,477~~ \$1,558; clerk of courts, ~~\$6,647~~ \$7,012; county treasurer, ~~\$2,100~~ \$2,215; sheriff, ~~\$6,752~~ \$7,123; register of deeds, ~~\$5,803~~ \$6,122; judge of probate, ~~\$5,803~~ \$6,122; register of probate, ~~\$5,803~~ \$6,122;

**Washington County:** County commissioners, ~~\$1,800~~ \$2,003; chairman, ~~\$2,216~~ \$2,337; clerk of courts, ~~\$5,486~~ \$5,787; county treasurer, ~~\$4,748~~ \$5,009; sheriff, ~~\$6,594~~ \$6,956; register of deeds, ~~\$5,486~~ \$5,787; judge of probate, ~~\$6,014~~ \$6,344; register of probate, ~~\$5,486~~ \$5,787;

**York County:** County commissioners, ~~\$2,743~~ \$2,893; clerk of courts, ~~\$8,440~~ \$8,904; deputy clerk of courts, ~~\$5,592~~ \$5,899; county treasurer, ~~\$2,743~~ \$2,893; sheriff, ~~\$9,495~~ \$10,017; register of deeds, ~~\$7,913~~ \$8,348; judge of probate, ~~\$7,385~~ \$7,791; register of probate, ~~\$5,803~~ \$6,122.

Sec. 4. R. S., T. 30, § 2, amended. The next to the last paragraph of section 2, and the last paragraph as enacted by section 3-A of chapter 540

of the public laws of 1973, both of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes, are repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

The registers of probate for the various counties, except the counties of Cumberland and Kennebec, shall be allowed to retain charges for the publication of the notices required by law over and above the cost of the actual publication of said notices. The sheriffs and their deputies for the various counties shall be allowed to retain the fees for service of civil process, and the sheriffs and their deputies, not on a salary or per diem basis, shall be allowed to retain the fees for service of criminal process, and no county officer shall receive a private benefit from the labor of any person in the employ of the county.

Sec. 5. R. S., T. 30, §§ 4-6, repealed. Sections 4, 5 and 6 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes are repealed.

Sec. 6. **Effective date.** Notwithstanding the provisions of Title 30, section 3, this Act shall become effective July 1, 1974.

Effective July 1, 1974

## CHAPTER 725

**AN ACT** Relating to Fees Charged by the Department of Public Safety.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 8, § 212, amended. Section 212 of Title 8 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 32 of chapter 592 of the public laws of 1971, is further amended by adding at the end the following:

The following schedule of fees shall apply to permits and inspections required by this section and by rules and regulations promulgated thereunder:

1. Permit to discharge, fire off or explode fireworks: \$10 per calendar year;
2. Inspection of fireworks display sites: \$5;
3. Permit for supervised display of fireworks for period of time specified in permit: \$15.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 25, § 2441, amended. Section 2441 of Title 25 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding after the 4th paragraph the following:

The following schedule of fees shall apply to all inspections and permits required by rule and regulation under this section:

1. Inspection of explosive magazines: \$5 to include any permit issued;
2. Inspection of vehicle used to transport explosives: \$5 to include any permit issued;