

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS  
OF THE  
STATE OF MAINE  
AS PASSED BY THE  
One Hundred and Sixth Legislature  
1ST SPECIAL SESSION  
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THE KNOWLTON AND MCLEARY COMPANY  
FARMINGTON, MAINE  
1975

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PUBLIC LAWS  
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eligibility of the State of Maine or any of its agencies in obtaining the benefits under any federal grant in aid or assistance programs.

Effective June 28, 1974

## CHAPTER 775

### AN ACT Creating a Third Assistant County Attorney for Androscoggin County.

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

Whereas, the criminal caseload in Androscoggin County has greatly increased; and

Whereas, the responsibilities of the County Attorney and his assistants have greatly increased; and

Whereas, the County Attorney and his assistants are being called upon more frequently by law enforcement agencies to provide advice and assistance; and

Whereas, the following legislation is vitally necessary for the orderly prosecution of the increased volume of criminal cases in Androscoggin County; 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. 30, § 2, amended.** That part of the 2nd paragraph of section 2 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes which relates to the county attorneys in Androscoggin County, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

county attorney, \$8,500; first assistant county attorney, \$6,000; second assistant county attorney, \$6,000; **third assistant county attorney, \$6,000;**

**Sec. 2. R. S., T. 30, § 554, amended.** The first sentence of section 554 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 407 of the public laws of 1965, is further amended to read as follows:

The county attorney of the County of Androscoggin may appoint ~~2~~ **3** assistant county attorneys, one to be known as first assistant county attorney ~~and the other,~~ **one** to be known as second assistant county attorney **and the other to be known as third assistant county attorney** to be approved by a Justice of the Superior Court resident in said county or by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court.

**Sec. 3. Appropriation.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Attorney General the sum of \$6,000 to carry out the purposes of this Act. The breakdown shall be as follows:

	1973-74	1974-75
ATTORNEY GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF		
County Attorneys' salaries		
Personal Services	(1) \$3,000	(1) \$3,000

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall become effective when approved.

Effective April 1, 1974

## CHAPTER 776

### AN ACT Relating to Damage to Beehives, Bee Colonies or Honey by Wild Animals.

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

**Sec. 1.** R. S., T. 7, § 3654, additional. Title 7 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 3654 to read as follows:

**§ 3654. Damage to beehives by wild animals**

Whenever any beehives, bee colonies or honey, owned by a resident of this State, are damaged or destroyed by wild animals, the owner may present evidence of such damage or destruction and may make complaint thereof to the mayor of a city or to one of the municipal officers of the town or plantation where such damage was done within 24 hours after he has knowledge of same. Thereafter, such claims shall be investigated, reported and adjusted or approved in the same manner as claims under section 3652.

Payments by the State under this section shall not exceed \$40 for a single beehive or bee colony damaged or destroyed during the months of April and May and shall not exceed \$50 for a single beehive or bee colony damaged or destroyed during the months of June through November. No payment shall be made for damage or destruction of beehives, bee colonies or honey during any other months.

**Sec. 2. Appropriation.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Agriculture the sum of \$2,500 to carry out the purposes of this Act. Appropriations under this section shall not lapse but shall carry forward to the next fiscal year. The breakdown shall be as follows:

	1974-75
AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF	
All Other	\$2,500

Effective June 28, 1974