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CHAPTER 657

AN ACT to Revise the Salaries of Certain County Officers.

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

Sec. 1. 18 MRSA § 262 is enacted to read:

§ 262. Androscoggin County register to be full time

The register of probate of Androscoggin County shall devote his entire time to the duties of his office.

Sec. 2. 30 MRSA § 2, sub-§ 1, ¶ A, relating to ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 67, § 3, is amended to read:

A. Androscoggin County:

(1) Commissioners		
(a) Chairman	\$ 4,800	\$ 5,050
(b) Members	4,000	4,250
(2) Treasurer	8,125	10,500
(3) Sheriff	13,500	14,500
(4) Judge of probate		8,069
(5) Register of probate	8,500	10,700
(6) Register of deeds	9,100	9,850

Sec. 3. 30 MRSA § 2, sub-§ 1, ¶ B, sub-¶ (4), relating to AROOSTOOK COUNTY, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 67, § 3, is amended to read:

(4) Judge of probate	7,500	8,500
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Sec. 4. 30 MRSA § 2, sub-§ 1, ¶ C, sub-¶ (3), relating to CUMBERLAND COUNTY, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 67, § 3, is amended to read:

(3) Sheriff	13,000	14,500
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Sec. 5. 30 MRSA § 2, sub-§ 1, ¶ D, sub-¶¶ (2), (3), (5) and (6), relating to FRANKLIN COUNTY, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 67, § 3, are amended to read:

(2) Treasurer	2,957	\$ 3,149
(3) Sheriff	12,500	13,315
(5) Register of probate	8,000	8,520
(6) Register of deeds	8,200	8,840

Sec. 6. 30 MRSA § 2, sub-§ 1, ¶ E, relating to HANCOCK COUNTY, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 67, § 3, is amended to read:

E. Hancock County:

(1) Commissioners		
(a) Chairman	\$ 4,062	\$ 4,562
(b) Members	3,722	4,222
(2) Treasurer	6,103	7,103
(3) Sheriff	8,930	12,000
(4) Judge of probate	7,521	8,521
(5) Register of probate	7,521	8,521
(6) Register of deeds	7,521	8,521

Sec. 6—A. 30 MRSA § 2, sub-§ 1, ¶ F, relating to KENNEBEC COUNTY, as amended by PL 1977, c. 140, § 1, is further amended to read:

F. Kennebec County:

(1) Commissioners		
(a) Chairman	\$ 4,286	\$ 4,500
(b) Members	3,917	4,200
(2) Treasurer	6,121	6,500
(3) Sheriff	11,997	12,500
(4) Judge of probate	9,871	10,400
(5) Register of probate	9,213	9,700
(6) Register of deeds	9,213	9,700

Sec. 7. 30 MRSA § 2, sub-§ 1, ¶ G, relating to KNOX COUNTY, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 67, § 3, is amended to read:

G. Knox County:

(1) Commissioners		
(a) Chairman	\$ 2,112	\$ 2,270
(b) Members	2,112	2,270
(2) Treasurer	2,556	3,000
(3) Sheriff	7,279	12,500
(4) Judge of probate	6,431	7,500
(5) Register of probate	6,450	8,000
(6) Register of deeds	7,279	8,000

Sec. 8. 30 MRSA § 2, sub-§ 1, ¶ H, relating to LINCOLN COUNTY, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 67, § 3, is amended to read:

H. Lincoln County:

(1) Commissioners		
(a) Chairman	\$ 2,549	\$ 3,000
(b) Members	1,912	2,500
(2) Treasurer	2,675	3,000

(3) Sheriff	12,000	12,720
(4) Judge of probate	7,179	7,610
(5) Register of probate	7,772	8,800
(6) Register of deeds	8,843	9,500

Sec. 9. 30 MRSA § 2, sub-§ 1, ¶ I, sub-¶¶ (2) through (6), relating to OXFORD COUNTY, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 67, § 3, and as amended by PL 1977, c. 140, § 2, are further amended to read:

(2) Treasurer	3,589	\$ 3,822
(3) Sheriff	12,500	13,313
(4) Judge of probate	5,444	5,798
(5) Register of probate	8,000	8,520
(6) Register of deeds		
(a) Eastern District	8,300	8,840
(b) Western District	4,850	5,165

Sec. 10. 30 MRSA § 2, sub-§ 1, ¶ J, relating to PENOBSCOT COUNTY, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 67, § 3, is amended to read:

J. Penobscot County:

(1) Commissioners		
(a) Chairman	\$ 5,246	\$ 5,508
(b) Members	4,948	5,195
(2) Treasurer	6,145	6,452
(3) Sheriff	9,963	
(a) Until December 31, 1978		13,401
(b) On and after January 1, 1979		13,500
(4) Judge of probate	10,572	11,101
(5) Register of probate	8,778	9,217
(6) Register of deeds	9,375	9,844

Sec. 11. 30 MRSA § 2, sub-§ 1, ¶ K, relating to PISCATAQUIS COUNTY, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 67, § 3, and as amended by PL 1977, c. 140, § 3, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

K. Piscataquis County:

(1) Commissioners		
(a) Chairman		
(i) Until December 31, 1978		\$ 2,368
(ii) On and after January 1, 1979		3,100
(b) Members		
(i) Until December 31, 1978		1,965
(ii) On and after January 1, 1979		2,500
(2) Treasurer		
(a) Until December 31, 1978		2,745
(b) On and after January 1, 1979		3,000

(3) Sheriff	
(a) Until December 31, 1978	11,350
(b) On and after January 1, 1979	13,000
(4) Judge of probate	6,360
(5) Register of probate	
(a) Until December 31, 1978	7,600
(b) On and after January 1, 1979	8,200
(6) Register of deeds	
(a) Until December 31, 1978	7,897
(b) On and after January 1, 1979	8,608

Sec. 12. 30 MRSA § 2, sub-§ 1, ¶ L, relating to SAGADAHOC COUNTY, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 67, § 3 and as amended by PL 1977, c. 140, § 4, is amended to read:

L. Sagadahoc County:

(1) Commissioners	
(a) Chairman	\$1,903 \$ 2,217
(b) Members	1,903 2,017
(2) Treasurer	4,000 4,240
(3) Sheriff	9,341 9,901
(4) Judge of probate	7,369 7,811
(5) Register of probate	7,610 8,067
(6) Register of deeds	7,927 8,403

Sec. 13. 30 MRSA § 2, sub-§ 1, ¶ M, sub-¶¶ (4), (5) and (6), relating to SOMERSET COUNTY, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 67, § 3, are amended to read:

(4) Judge of probate	8,500 \$ 9,000
(5) Register of probate	8,000 8,500
(6) Register of deeds	8,300 8,800

Sec. 14. 30 MRSA § 2, sub-§ 1, ¶ N, sub-¶¶ (3), (5) and (6), relating to WALDO COUNTY, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 67, § 3, are amended to read:

(3) Sheriff	9,650 \$12,500
(5) Register of probate	7,421 8,000
(6) Register of deeds	7,239 8,000

Sec. 15 30 MRSA § 2, sub-§ 1, ¶ P, sub-¶¶ (3), (5) and (6), relating to YORK COUNTY, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 67, § 3, are amended to read:

(3) Sheriff	11,200 \$13,500
(5) Register of probate	7,001 10,500
(6) Register of deeds	9,400 10,500

Sec. 16. 30 MRSA § 605 is enacted to read:

§ 605. Androscoggin County treasurer to be full time

The treasurer of Androscoggin County shall devote his entire time to the duties of his office.

Sec. 17. 30 MRSA § 909 is enacted to read:

§ 909. Androscoggin sheriff to be full time

The sheriff of Androscoggin County shall devote his entire time to the duties of his office.

Sec. 18. Retroactivity. This Act shall be retroactive to January 1, 1978.

Effective July 6, 1978. Retroactive to January 1, 1978.

CHAPTER 658

AN ACT to Revise the Administration and Toll System of the Maine Turnpike.

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA § 1092, sub-§ 14, ¶ E is enacted to read:

E. Notwithstanding this subsection, all funds held by the Maine State Retirement System to the credit of employees of the Maine Turnpike Authority shall be transferred on the records of the Maine State Retirement System to the status of a state employee. Creditable service rendered by these employees shall be the same as if the employment had been rendered as state employees.

Former employees of the Maine Turnpike Authority who have retired under the Maine State Retirement System shall have their creditable service under the Maine State Retirement System transferred, and payment of retirement benefits shall be continued at the same level as would be paid as if those retired employees had retired from state service.

Funds held by the Maine State Retirement System on account of the Maine Turnpike Authority, which were paid by the authority, shall be held by the Maine State Retirement System to pay benefits to retired persons and for future retirees. If, after a review of the Actuary of the Maine State Retirement System, it is determined that additional funds are required to finance in full the accrued retirement benefits for all employees of the Maine Turnpike Authority, then the Maine Turnpike Authority shall provide funds necessary to fulfill this obligation before the Maine Turnpike Authority is dissolved.