

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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S. P. 256

In Senate, January 25, 1961

Referred to Committee on Labor. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Wyman of Washington.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-ONE

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AN ACT Relating to Employment of Minors in Automatic Laundries.

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 30, § 23, amended.** Section 23 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 335 of the public laws of 1955, is further amended to read as follows :

**'Sec. 23. Employment of minors under 16 years of age prohibited in certain establishments.** No minor under 16 years of age shall be employed, permitted or suffered to work in, about or in connection with any manufacturing or mechanical establishment, hotel, rooming house, laundry, **except those commonly known as automatic laundries**, dry cleaning establishments, bakery, bowling alley, poolroom, commercial places of amusement, including traveling shows and circuses, or in any theater or moving picture house. The provisions of this section pertaining to theaters shall not apply to minors under 16 years of age who are employed or in training as theatrical actors.'

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 30, § 25, amended.** The first sentence of section 25 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 273 of the public laws of 1959, is further amended to read as follows :

'No child under 14 years of age shall be employed, permitted or suffered to work in, about or in connection with any eating place, **automatic laundries**, sporting or overnight camp or mercantile establishment, and no child between the ages of 14 and 16 years shall be so employed when the distance between the work place and the home of the child, or any other factor, necessitates the child's remaining away from home overnight.'

**Sec. 3. R. S., c. 30, amended.** Section 30 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 1 of chapter 348 of the public laws of 1955 and as amended by chapter 29 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended to read as follows:

**'Sec. 30. Females not to be employed more than 9 hours a day.** No female shall knowingly be employed or accept employment in any of one or more workshops, factories, manufacturing, mechanical or mercantile establishments, beauty parlors, hotels, commercial places of amusement, restaurants, dairies, bakeries, laundries, **including automatic laundries**, dry cleaning establishments, telegraph offices, in any telephone exchange which has more than 750 stations or by any of one or more express or transportation companies in the State more than a total of 9 hours in any one day; except when a different apportionment of the hours of labor is made for the sole purpose of making a shorter day's work for one day of the week; ~~and in.~~ **In** no case shall the hours of labor exceed a total of 10 hours in any one day or a total of 54 hours in any one week.'

**Sec. 4. R. S., c. 30, § 32, amended.** The first paragraph of section 32 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 3 of chapter 348 of the public laws of 1955, is amended to read as follows:

'No female shall knowingly be employed or accept employment in any of one or more mercantile establishments, beauty parlors, hotels, commercial places of amusement, restaurants, dairies, bakeries, laundries, **including automatic laundries**, dry cleaning establishments, telegraph offices, in any telephone exchange which has more than 750 stations or by any of one or more express or transportation companies in the State more than a total of 54 hours in any one week.'