

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 SECOND REGULAR SESSION  
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE  
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5 **Legislative Document**

**No. 1853**

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7 S. P. 789 In Senate, January 20, 1982  
8 Approved for introduction by the Legislative Council pursuant to  
9 Joint Rule 26.

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

12 MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate  
13 Presented by Senator Bustin of Kennebec.

14 Cosponsors: Senator Collins of Knox and Representative Murphy  
15 of Kennebunk.  
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17 STATE OF MAINE  
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19 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
20 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-TWO

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21 AN ACT Concerning Municipal Employees  
22 under the Employment Practices Act.  
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24 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

25 26 MRSA §621 is amended to read:

26 §621. Time of payment

27 Every corporation, person or partnership engaged in a  
28 manufacturing, mechanical, mining, quarrying, mercantile,  
29 restaurant, hotel, summer camp, beauty parlor, amusement,  
30 telegraph or telephone business; in any of the building  
31 trades; in logging or lumbering operations; upon public  
32 works, or in the construction or repair of roads, bridges,  
sewers, gas, water or electric light works, pipes or lines;  
every incorporated express company or water company; and  
every steam railroad company or corporation shall pay weekly  
each employee engaged in his or its business the wages

1 earned by him to within 8 days of the date of such payment;  
2 every county and, city and municipal corporation, including  
3 school administrative districts, community school districts,  
4 superintending school committees and school unions after the  
5 expiration of individual contracts which may be in effect at  
6 the time this Act becomes law, shall so pay every employee  
7 who is engaged in its business the wages or salary earned by  
8 him, unless such mechanic, workman, labor ~~er,~~ employee or  
9 teacher or other employee requests in writing to be paid in  
10 a different manner. Every town shall so pay each employee,  
11 including teachers or other school employees, in its busi-  
12 ness if so required by him. An employee who is absent from  
13 his regular place of labor at a time fixed for payment shall  
14 be paid thereafter on demand.

15 STATEMENT OF FACT

16 Since the Maine Supreme Court in November ruled that  
17 the most recent change in this law to include city and  
18 county employees did not specify legislative intent to cover  
19 all municipal employees, this bill clarifies the coverage.  
20 This bill will enable teachers to benefit from high interest  
21 rates currently in effect.

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