

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

FIFTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 72.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SEVEN.

AN ACT to amend chapter one hundred and thirty-seven of the revised statutes, in relation to disposal of criminals.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :

Section five of chapter one hundred and thirty-seven 2 of the revised statutes, is amended, by inserting the 3 words "or county jails" after the word prison in the 4 first line, and the words "or county jailors" in the 5 line after the word "warden," so that said section, as 6 amended, shall read as follows :

7 *Sect. 5.* When an inmate of the state prison or
8 county jail becomes insane the warden or jailor shall
9 notify the governor of the fact, and he, with the ad-
10 vice of the council, shall appoint a commission of two
11 or more skillful physicians to investigate the case ;

12 and if such inmate is found insane by their examina-
13 tion, he shall be sent to the insane hospital until he
14 becomes of sound mind, and if this takes place before
15 the expiration of his sentence, he shall be returned to
16 prison; but if after, he shall be discharged free. The
17 expenses of the commission, removal and support,
18 shall be paid by the state.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
January 30, 1877. }

Reported from the Committee on the Judiciary, by Mr. PIKE of Calais, and ordered
printed under the Joint Rule.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*