

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE.

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HOUSE.

No. 27.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND  
EIGHTY-THREE.

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AN ACT to amend section one of chapter twenty-two of the revised statutes, relating to division fences.

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

Section one of chapter twenty-two of the revised  
2 statutes, is hereby amended, by adding after the  
3 word "walls" in the second line the words "iron or  
4 wire," so that said section as amended shall read  
5 as follows:

6 *Sect. 1.* All fences, four feet high, and in good  
7 repair, consisting of rails, timber, boards, stone-  
8 walls, iron or wire; and brooks, rivers, ponds,  
9 creeks, ditches and hedges, or other things, which

10 in the judgment of the fence viewers having juris-  
11 diction thereof, are equivalent thereto, shall be  
12 accounted legal and sufficient fences; *provided*,  
13 *however*, that all barbed wire fences hereafter built  
14 shall not be accounted legal and sufficient fences,  
15 unless they are protected by an upper rail or board  
16 of wood.

STATE OF MAINE.

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In HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
January 26, 1883. }

Reported by Mr. SPEAR, from Committee on Legal Affairs, and  
ordered printed.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*