

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty - Third Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 150.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend section thirty-seven of chapter
eighty of the Revised Statutes, relating to Jails.

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

SECTION 1. Section thirty-seven of chapter eighty
2 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by add-
3 ing after the word "is" in the second line, the
4 words 'unfit for occupation or'; and by adding to the
5 the section the words 'And if by fire or other casualty
6 any jail is destroyed or rendered unfit for use, any
7 judge may, upon being notified by the county attor-
8 ney of the county where such jail was or is located,
9 issue his order to the sheriff and his deputies and

10 constables of said county to imprison all prisoners
11 which might be liable to imprisonment in said
12 county, to be imprisoned in the jail of some adjoin-
13 ing county, said order to be printed in the newspa-
14 pers of said county,' so that said section as amend-
15 ed shall read as follows:

'Whenever complaint on oath is made to a judge
17 of the supreme judicial court that any jail is unfit
18 for occupation, or is insufficient for the secure keep-
19 ing of any person charged with crime and commit-
20 ted to await trial or under sentence, he shall cause
21 not less than three days' notice of such complaint
22 to be given to the jailer or sheriff of the county to
23 appear at the time and place fixed in such notice,
24 and if on examination the matter complained of is
25 found true, he may issue his warrant for the trans-
26 fer of such prisoner at the expense of said county,
27 to any jail where he may be more securely kept.
28 And if by fire or other casualty any jail is de-
29 stroyed or rendered unfit for use, any judge of the
30 Supreme Judicial Court may, upon being notified
31 by the county attorney of the county where such
32 jail was or is located, issue his order to the sheriff
33 and his deputies and constables of said county to
34 imprison all prisoners who might be liable to im-
35 prisonment in said county, to be imprisoned in the

36 jail of some adjoining county, said order to be
37 printed in the newspapers of said county.'

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its ap-
2 proval by the Governor.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 21, 1887.

Reported from Committee on Judiciary by Mr. WISWELL of Ellsworth; ordered printed under joint rule

NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, Clerk.