

SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 153

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND NINE.

AN ACT relative to the use and operation of Moving Picture Machines.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Section 1. No person, firm, corporation or association of 2 persons shall operate or cause to be operated, and no man-3 ager, owner or proprietor of a hill, theatre, or other place 4 of amusement shall permit to be used or operated, in any 5 hall, theatre, or other place of amusement, any machine or 6 other device for the projection of pictures upon a screen or 7 other substance for a period exceeding ten minutes for each 8 film, picture, or series of pictures. Any person, firm, cor-

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9 poration or association of persons operating or owning such 10 machines shall, after each film, picture, or series of pictures, 11 or at the expiration of said period of ten minutes, cause the 12 theatre, hall, or other place of amusement to be fully lighted 13 for a period of not less than five minutes, provided however, 14 that the provisions of this section shall apply only to moving 15 picture machines, so called, and shall not be construed to 16 include machines or other devices for projecting pictures 17 upon a screen or other substance, which pictures remain 18 stationary thereon.

Sect. 2. Any person, firm, corporation, or association of 2 persons violating the provisions of this act shall be subject 3 to a fine of not less than fifty dollars or to imprisonment for 4 not less than six months.



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House of Representatives,

Augusta, Feb. 11, 1909.

Tabled pending reference to a committee by Mr. ROUNDS of Portland and ordered printed.

E. M. THOMPSON, Clerk.