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SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 609

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT additional to chapter one hundred thirty-five of the Revised Statutes, relating to witnesses in criminal proceedings.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. When an indictment has been returned into

2 court, any justice of the supreme judicial or superior court

3 may order the material witnesses against the respondent or

4 respondents named in the indictment to recognize with suffi-

5 cient sureties to appear and testify at the trial of said indict-

6 ment in said court; and if said witnesses refuse or fail to

7 recognize they may be committed to prison and remain un-

8 til discharged by law, and such justice may issue capias to 9 bring such witness before the court to give his recognizance, 10 or upon failure or refusal so to recognize to be committed 11 as aforesaid.

STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives,

Augusta, March 13, 1909.

Reported by Mr. HERSEY from Committee on Judiciary and ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, Clerk.