

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 28

In Senate, January 15, 1913.

Presented by Senator Flaherty of Cumberland, and on motion by same Senator laid on the table for printing, pending reference to a Committee.

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend Chapter 39 of Public Laws of 1911, providing for the Weekly Payment of Wages.

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

Section 1. Chapter 39 of the Public Laws of 1911, is hereby amended by adding after the word "lines" in the eighth line of said chapter the words 'And every steam railroad company or corporation.' So that said chapter as amended shall read as follows:

'Every manufacturing, mining or quarrying, mercantile, street railway, telegraph or telephone corporation, every incorporated express company or water company, and every

9 contractor, person or partnership engaged in any manu-
10 facturing business, in any of the building trades, in quar-
11 ries or mines, upon public works or in the construction or
12 repair of street railways, roads, bridges or sewers or of gas,
13 water or electric light works, pipes or lines, and every steam
14 railroad company or corporation, shall pay weekly each
15 employee engaged in his or its business the wages earned
16 by him to within eight days of the date of said payment,
17 but any employee leaving his or her employment shall be
18 paid in full on the following regular pay day, provided,
19 that when an employee is discharged he shall be paid the
20 wages due him on demand; and the state, its officers, boards
21 and commissions shall so pay every mechanic, workman
22 and laborer who is employed by it or them, and every county
23 and city shall so pay every employee who is engaged in its
24 business the wages or salary earned by him, unless such
25 mechanic, workman, laborer or employee requests in writing
26 to be paid in a different manner; and every town shall so
27 pay each employee in its business if so required by him;
28 but an employee who is absent from his regular place of
29 labor at a time fixed for payment shall be paid thereafter
30 on demand. The provisions of this section shall not apply
31 to an employee engaged in cutting and hauling logs and
32 lumber, nor the driving of same until it reaches its place of
33 destination for sale and manufacture; nor to an employee
34 of a co-operative corporation or association if he is a stock-
35 holder therein unless he requests such corporation to pay

36 him weekly. No corporation, contractor, person or part-
37 nership shall be a special contract with an employee or by
38 any other means exempt himself or itself from the pro-
39 visions of this act. Whoever violates the provisions of this
40 act shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten nor more
41 than fifty dollars.