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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Minimum Wages for Laborers.

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

Minimum wage. In the employment of laborers in the construction of public works, including state highways, by the state, or by persons contracting therewith for such construction, preference shall first be given to citizens of the state who are qualified to perform the work to which the employment relates, and, if they cannot be obtained in sufficient numbers, then to citizens of the United States; and every contract for such work shall contain a provision to this effect. The wages for a day's work paid to laborers employed in the construction of public works, including state highways, as aforesaid shall be not less than the prevailing rate paid by the state for similar work done by the highway commission. Any contractor who knowingly and wilfully violates this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100. Each day that any contractor employs a laborer at less than the wage minimum herein stipulated shall constitute a separate violation of this section.