

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE.

No. 12.]

[HOUSE.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND
FORTY-FIVE.

AN ACT additional to the one hundred and fortieth
chapter of the Revised Statutes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Represent-
2 atives in Legislature assembled—as follows :*

3 SECTION 1. The parent, master, or guardian, of any
4 minor, shall be entitled to the writ of habeas corpus,
5 for such minor, under the provisions of the one hun-
6 dred and fortieth chapter of the Revised Statutes,
7 whenever such minor shall be imprisoned, or re-
8 strained of his liberty, and would be entitled to said
9 writ on his own application.

SEC. 2. The Supreme Judicial Court, or District
2 Court, or any justice of either of said Courts, may,
3 at their discretion, on application of any person as
4 next friend, issue the writ of habeas corpus to bring
5 before them any individual alleged to be imprisoned

6 or restrained of his liberty and who would be entitled
 7 to said writ on his own application, whenever such
 8 individual shall be, from any cause, incapable of mak-
 9 ing application in writing therefor.

SEC. 3. The application shall, in all the cases spe-
 2 cified in this act, be in writing, and signed and sworn
 3 to by the person making the same ; and it shall state,
 4 specifically, the grounds thereof, and the character in
 5 which the same is made.

SEC. 4. All the provisions of the one hundred and
 2 fortieth chapter of the Revised Statutes applicable
 3 hereunto, shall apply to, and regulate, the cases herein
 4 provided for, and the proceedings thereon.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
 February 10, 1845. }

Laid on the table, and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the
 use of the Legislature.

SAMUEL BELCHER, *Clerk.*