

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1052

H. P. 723

House of Representatives, February 5, 1963

Referred to Committee on Business Legislation. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Wight of Presque Isle.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Solicitation of Pre-arranged Funerals and to Payments
for Securing Funeral Business.

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

R. S., c. 25, § 204-A, additional. Chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 204-A, to read as follows:

‘Sec. 204-A. Solicitation of pre-arranged funerals and of funeral business prohibited. No funeral home, funeral establishment or person holding a license under section 195 to 205 shall as, or through, an agent or principal solicit a pre-arranged funeral service or plan for any person or persons. “Pre-arranged funeral service or plan” shall mean any funeral service or plan which is arranged, planned or determined prior to the demise of a person or persons for whom the funeral service is to be performed. Funeral homes, funeral establishments and licensees under sections 195 to 205 may enter into contracts or agreements for pre-arranged funeral services or plans provided that they do not in any manner either as, or through, principals or agents solicit such contract or agreement.

No funeral home, funeral establishment or person licensed under sections 195 to 205 shall pay or cause to be paid, directly or indirectly, any money or other thing of value to a person not responsible for payment for the funeral as a commission or gratuity for the securing of business for such funeral home, establishment or licensee.

Any person who violates this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$50 and not more than \$500, or by imprisonment for not more than 3 months.’