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### ONE HUNDRED AND SECOND LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, February 4, 1965
Referred to Committee on Labor. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

JEROME G. PLANTE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Bedard of Saco.

#### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE

AN ACT Protecting the Right of Public Employees to Join Labor Organizations.

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

R. S., T. 5, § 557, additional. Title 5 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 557 to read as follows:

## '§ 557. Labor organizations

Employees of the State of Maine or any political subdivision thereof shall have the right to form and join labor organizations and to present proposals relative to salaries and other conditions of employment through representatives of their own choosing. No such employee shall be discharged or discriminated against because of his exercise of such right, nor shall any person or group of persons, other than a labor organization, directly or indirectly, by intimidation or coercion, compel or attempt to compel any such employee to join or refrain from joining a labor organization.

This section shall not apply to police officers in the employ of the State of Maine or any political subdivision thereof.'