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ONE HUNDRED AND SECOND LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1118

S. P. 354

In Senate, February 11, 1965

Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Secretary

Presented by Senator Violette of Aroostook.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Bail Jumping.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 17, § 2957, additional. Title 17 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 2957 to read as follows:

‘§ 2957. Bail jumping; default in required appearance

A person set at liberty by court order, with or without bail, upon condition that he will subsequently appear at a specified time and place, who, without lawful excuse, willfully fails to appear at that time and place, shall be punished by imprisonment for less than one year or by a fine of not more than \$300, or by both. If the required appearance was to answer a charge of felony, or for disposition of any such charge, and the actor took flight or went into hiding to avoid apprehension, trial or punishment, he shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than 5 years. This section does not apply to obligations to appeal incident to release under suspended sentence or on probation or parole.’

Sec. 2. Effective date. This Act shall become effective December 1, 1965, and shall apply only to those persons set at liberty by court order on or after that date.