

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 443**

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H. P. 334 House of Representatives, January 28, 1969  
Referred to Committee on Labor. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Huber of Rockland.

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## STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-NINE

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### AN ACT Relating to the Application of the Occupational Safety Law and the Reporting Requirements.

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., T. 26, § 2, amended.** Section 2 of Title 26 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows :

#### § 2. Reports of deaths, accidents and injuries

The person in charge of any factory, workshop, construction activity or other industrial establishment shall, within ~~to days~~ **24 hours, exclusive of weekends and holidays**, after the occurrence, report in writing or by telephone to the Commissioner of Labor and Industry all deaths, accidents or serious physical injuries sustained by any person therein or on the premises, stating as fully as possible the cause of the death or the extent and cause of the injury, and the place where the injured person has been sent, with such other or further information relative thereto as may be required by said commissioner, who may investigate the causes thereof and require such precautions to be taken as will prevent the recurrence of similar happenings. No statement contained in any such report shall be admissible in evidence in any action arising out of the death or accident reported. The term "serious physical injuries," as used in this section, shall be construed to mean every accident which results in the death of the employee or causes his absence from work for at least 6 days thereafter, amputation, loss or fracture of any body part, or which necessitates immediate hospitalization. ~~This section shall not apply to persons, firms or corporations obliged by law to report such deaths, accidents and injuries to the Maine Industrial Accident Commission.~~

**Sec. 2. R. S., T. 26, § 45-A, amended.** Section 45-A of Title 26 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 2 of chapter 200 of the public laws of 1965, is amended to read as follows:

**§ 45-A. Application of sections 44 and 45**

Sections 44 and 45 shall not apply to work on a farm or in or about a private residence, commercial fishing ~~or logging~~, nor to employment in any Federal Government establishment nor to any activity subject to the control of the Interstate Commerce Commission ~~or the Maine Public Utilities Commission.~~

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The money necessary to carry out this Act is in the Governor's supplemental budget.