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ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 523

H. P. 412 House of Representatives, January 30, 1969
Referred to Committee on Labor. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Temple of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to the Extension of Workmen's Compensation.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 39, § 4, amended. The first 4 sentences of section 4 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, are repealed as follows:

Section 3 shll not apply to employees who employ 3 or less workmen or operatives regularly in the same business. Said section shall not apply to actions to recover damages for the injuries aforesaid, or for death resulting from such injuries, sustained by employees engaged in domestic service or in agriculture as seasonal or easual farm laborers. "Casual" is defined as occasional, irregular or incidental. "Seasonal" refers to farm laborers engaged in agricultural employment beginning at or after the commencement of the planting season and terminating at or before the completion of the harvest season.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 39, § 21, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 21 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

Any private employer other than those who employ 3 or less employees regularly in the same business who has elected not to be an assenting employer by not securing the payment of compensation under sections 21 to 27 shall, in a civil action brought by the employee other than one engaged in domestic service or in agriculture as a seasonal or easual farm laborer to recover for personal injuries or death sustained after such election by the employer, arising out of and in the course of his employment, not be entitled to the defenses set forth in section 3.