

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 632

H. P. 491

House of Representatives, February 5, 1971

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

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Hardy of Hope.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Arson.

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

R. S., T. 17, § 163, amended. Section 163 of Title 17 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 2 of chapter 410 of the public laws of 1967, is amended to read as follows:

§ 163. Third degree

Any person who willfully and maliciously (1) sets fire to (2) burns (3) causes to be burned or (4) aids, counsels or procures the burning of any personal or real property of whatsoever class or character, and the property of another person, **not included or described in section 161 or 162**, shall be guilty of arson in the third degree and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$2,000 or by imprisonment for not more than 3 years, or by both.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Due to the broad language contained in Title 17, section 163, it is felt that sections 161 and 162 have been repealed by implication. This amendment will qualify the language contained in Title 17, section 163 and allow prosecutions of Title 17, sections 161 and 162.