

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 661**

S. P. 215

In Senate, February 10, 1971

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

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Minkowsky of Androscoggin.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-ONE

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**AN ACT Relating to Employees and Agents of Collection Agencies.**

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., T. 32, § 573, sub-§ 1, amended.** Subsection 1 of section 573 of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 430 of the public laws of 1965, is amended by adding at the end a new sentence to read as follows:

**No person shall perform duties relating to the conduct of a collection agency for, or on behalf of, another person as an officer, director, employee, agent or in any other capacity unless the other person has first applied for and obtained a collection agency license.**

**Sec. 2. R. S., T. 32, § 573, sub-§ 2, amended.** Subsection 2 of section 573 of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 430 of the public laws of 1965, is amended to read as follows:

**2. Penalty.** Any person who shall carry on business as a collection agency without first having obtained a license pursuant to this section, or who shall carry on such business after the revocation, suspension or expiration of any license, or who shall perform duties relating to the conduct of a collection agency on behalf of another person as an officer, director, employee, agent or in any other capacity unless the other person has first obtained a license which has not expired nor been revoked or suspended shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and ~~punishable~~ **punished** by a fine not exceeding \$500 or by imprisonment not exceeding 6 months, or by both.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment would clarify the licensing requirements of the Collection Agency Law as it relates to employees and agents.