

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 671**

S. P. 225

In Senate, February 10, 1971

Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Tanous of Penobscot.

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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 Governmental Immunity in Civil Actions.**

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

**R. S., T. 14, § 157, repealed and replaced.** Section 157 of Title 14 of the Revised Statutes as enacted by section 8-A of chapter 425 of the public laws of 1965, and as repealed and replaced by chapter 428 of the public laws of 1969, is further repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

**§ 157. Government agencies**

In all civil actions against the State of Maine or any political subdivision thereof or any quasi-municipal corporation or quasi-governmental agency, whether acting in its governmental or proprietary capacity, the defense of governmental immunity is abolished.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to abolish governmental immunity in civil actions.