

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1207

H. P. 886

House of Representatives, February 26, 1971

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

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Simpson of Standish.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Escape of Prisoners Following Removal from a State
Institution or County Jail for Appearance in Court.

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

R. S., T. 14, § 5545, amended. Section 5545 of Title 14 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 71 of the public laws of 1969, is further amended by adding a new paragraph at the end to read as follows:

Any prisoner who escapes from custody of the sheriff or any of his deputies at the time of, or following, removal from a penal or correctional institution, or from a county jail, for appearance in court pursuant to the issuance of a writ of habeas corpus, under this chapter, shall be chargeable with escape from the penal or correctional institution or county jail from which he was removed, and punishment therefor shall be in accordance with the penalty applicable to escape from such institution or county jail.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This Act is to clarify the status of a prisoner who escapes, following removal from a state penal or correctional institution or county jail, for appearance in court upon the issuance of a writ of habeas corpus.