

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Document

No. 333

H. P. 252

House of Representatives, January 23, 1973

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

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Dow of West Gardiner.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-THREE

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**AN ACT Relating to Wardens and Vestrymen in the Protestant  
Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Maine.**

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

P. & S. L., 1869, c. 180, § 5, amended. Section 5 of chapter 180 of the private and special laws of 1869, as amended by chapter 374 of the private and special laws of 1897 and section 2 of chapter 90 of the private and special laws of 1967, is further amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 5. Qualifications of voters; eligibility to office.** At all subsequent meetings, the right of voting shall be confined to persons who became actually entitled to vote at the first meeting, and to such other persons ~~of full age who are at least 15 years of age~~ as have, during the previous six months, been stated worshippers in said church and stated contributors to its support, and have signed the written declaration referred to in section four. Any such person, male or female, shall be entitled to be elected ~~warden~~ a member of vestries, or a delegate to diocesan or general conventions. **Any such person, male or female, shall be entitled to be elected warden, provided that he is at least 20 years of age.**

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to amend the law of the Protestant Episcopal Church to conform with Canon 20, section 1 of the 1972 convention.