

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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H. P. 989

House of Representatives, March 6, 1973

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

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Santoro of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT Designating Columbus Day a Legal Holiday.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 4, § 1051, amended. The first sentence of section 1051 of Title 4 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 236 of the public laws of 1969, is further amended to read as follows:

No court shall be held on Sunday or any day designated for the annual Thanksgiving; or for the choice of Presidential Electors; New Year's Day, January 1st; Washington's Birthday, the 3rd Monday in February; Patriot's Day, the 3rd Monday in April; Memorial Day, the last Monday in May; the 4th of July; Labor Day, the first Monday of September; the day of the state-wide primary election; the day of the state election; the day of any special state-wide election; **Columbus Day, the 2nd Monday in October;** Veterans Day, the 4th Monday in October; or on Christmas Day; and when the time fixed for a term of court falls on any of said days, it shall stand adjourned until the next day, which shall be deemed the first day of the term for all purposes.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 20, § 801, amended. The first sentence of section 801 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 4 of chapter 236 of the public laws of 1969, is further amended to read as follows:

The following days shall be observed as school holidays, namely: Patriot's Day, the 3rd Monday in April; Memorial Day, the last Monday in May; Independence Day, July 4th; Labor Day, the first Monday in September; **Columbus Day, the 2nd Monday in October;** Veterans Day, the 4th Monday in October; Christmas Day, December 25th; Thanksgiving and Arbor Day, as appointed by the Governor.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is reflected in the title. This will bring Maine into line with her sister New England States in full observance of this day.