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(New Title) New draft of S. P. 12, L. D. 53.

ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 998

S. P. 303 In Senate, March 11, 1975
Reported by the Majority from Committee on Judiciary and printed under
Joint Rules No. 18.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to the Filing of Criminal Cases.

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

4 MRSA § 173, sub-§ 1, 2nd ¶, as enacted by PL 1963, c. 402, § 238, is amended to read:

Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to prohibit a court from filing a case upon payment of costs without a conviction; provided, however, that upon motion at any time by either party, the court shall bring a filed case forward and proceed to a disposition of the pending complaint.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to clarify the provisions of Title 4, section 173 relating to the filing of criminal cases in a manner consistent with a recent interpretation of those provisions by the Maine Supreme Judicial Court.