

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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S. P. 371

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HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Berry of Androscoggin.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-FIVE

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**AN ACT** Providing for the Observance of Memorial Day on May 30th.

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

Sec. 1. 4 MRSA § 1051, first sentence, as last repealed and replaced by PL 1973, c. 788, § 9, is amended to read:

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~~ 30th of May; the 4th of July; Labor Day, the first Monday of Septemebr; 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, November 11th; 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Sec. 2. 9 MRSA § 131, first sentence, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 585, § 11, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

Any day of public thanksgiving, mourning or disaster, proclaimed or appointed by the Governor or by the President of the United States; the first day of January; Washington's Birthday, the 3rd Monday in February; Patriot's Day, the 3rd Monday in April; Memorial Day, the 30th of May; the 4th of July; Labor Day, the first Monday of September; Columbus Day, the 2nd Monday in October; Veterans Day, November 11th; and the 25th day of December are declared to be bank holidays.

Sec. 3. 17 MRSA § 3204, first ¶, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 114, § 4, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

No person, firm or corporation shall, on the Lord's Day; Memorial Day, the 30th of May; July 4th; Labor Day, the first Monday of September; Veterans Day, November 11th; Christmas Day and Thanksgiving Day as proclaimed by the Governor, keep open a place of business to the public except for works of necessity, emergency or charity.

Sec. 4. 20 MRSA § 801, first sentence, as last repealed and replaced by PL 1973, c. 788, § 74, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

The following days shall be observed as school holidays, namely: Patriot's Day, the 3rd Monday in April; Memorial Day, the 30th of May; Independence Day, July 4th; Labor Day, the first Monday in September; Columbus Day, the 2nd Monday in October; Veterans Day, November 11th; Christmas Day, December 25th; Thanksgiving and Arbor Day, as appointed by the Governor.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to establish May 30th as Memorial Day.