

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 777

S. P. 250

In Senate, March 9, 1977

Referred to Committee on Labor. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary

Presented by Senator Pray of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Concerning Minimum Wage Law.

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

26 MRSA § 663, sub-§ 4 is amended to read:

4. **Occupation.** "Occupation," an industry, trade ~~or~~, business, public employment, quasi-public employment or public and quasi-public employment or branch thereof or class of work therein in which workers are gainfully employed;

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to clarify the minimum wage law. Since the application of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, as they applied to public, quasi-public or public and quasi-public employees, has been struck down by the United States Supreme Court, and there is no longer any protection for these employees under the present laws, the Maine laws should be amended to at least guarantee these employees the state minimum wage and time and a half for all hours they are required to work over 40 hours in any one week.