

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Document

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S. P. 294

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

In Senate, March 16, 1977

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary

Presented by Senator McNally of Hancock.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-SEVEN

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**AN ACT to Amend the Unemployment Compensation Act.**

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

26 MRSA § 1192, sub-§ 3, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 770, § 122, is amended to read:

3. **Is able and available for work.** He is able to work and is available for work at his usual or customary trade, occupation, profession or business or in such other trade, occupation, profession or business for which his prior training or experience shows him to be fitted or qualified; and in addition to having complied with subsection 2 is himself actively seeking work in accordance with the regulations of the commission; provided that an unemployed individual who is neither able nor available for work due to good cause as determined by the commissioner shall be eligible to receive prorated benefits for that portion of the week during which he was able and available. **Any person attending school on a part-time or full-time basis shall not be considered available for work.**

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to establish that a person collecting unemployment benefits is truly available for the work force as the law intended.