

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 677

House of Representatives, February 28, 1979

Referred to the Committee on State Government. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Wood of Sanford.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT to Establish Maine Cultural Heritage Week.

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

1 MRSa § 118 is enacted to read:

§ 118. Maine Cultural Heritage Week

The Governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting aside that week containing Statehood Day, March 15th, as Maine Cultural Heritage Week.

The proclamation shall recall Maine's lengthy and important traditions in all the arts including literature, the performing arts and the plastic arts and shall acknowledge the many contributions made by Maine's citizens to folk arts and crafts.

The proclamation shall recommend the observance of Maine Cultural Heritage Week with appropriate celebration and activity, including public celebration and activity in Maine's schools, colleges, universities, theaters, museums, studios, galleries and workshops.

The Department of Educational and Cultural Services shall make appropriate information available to the people and the schools within the limits of its budget.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill establishes Maine Cultural Heritage Week, as a means of remembering Maine's long tradition of leadership in all the arts, including the folk arts, literature, the plastic arts and the performing arts.