

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 814

S. P. 288

In Senate, February 12, 1981

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

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator C. Sewall of Lincoln.

Cosponsors: Representative Tarbell of Bangor, Representative Hobbins of Saco and Representative Lund of Augusta.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

AN ACT to Increase the Maximum Civil Penalties under the Maine Human Rights Act.

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

5 MRSA § 4613, sub-§ 2, ¶ B, sub-¶ (7), as enacted by PL 1971, c. 501, § 1, is amended to read:

(7) An order to pay to the complainant civil ~~penal~~ penalty damages not in excess of ~~\$100~~ \$500 in the case of the first order under this Act against the respondent, not in excess of ~~\$250~~ \$1,250 in the case of a 2nd such order against the respondent, and not in excess of ~~\$1,000~~ \$5,000 in the case of a 3rd or subsequent such order against the respondent.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The intent of this bill is to increase the maximum civil penalties, under the Maine Human Rights Act, when a case is heard by the Superior Court.