

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1069

H. P. 902

House of Representatives, February 27, 1981

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Tuttle of Sanford.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Establish a 9-hour Workday and 50-hour Week.

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

26 MRSA § 634 is enacted to read:

§ 634. Work day; work week

1. **Hours established.** Unless agreed to in writing by the parties, no employer may require an employee in any workshop, factory, manufacturing, mechanical or mercantile establishment to work more than 9 hours in a day or 50 hours in a week:

- A. As a precondition of employment; or
- B. As a condition for continued employment.

2. **Penalty.** Violation of this section is a Class E crime.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill makes it unlawful for an employee in a workshop, factory, manufacturing, mechanical or mercantile establishment to work more than 9 hours in a day or 50 hours in a week unless agreed in writing by both parties.