

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
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5 Legislative Document

No. 1206

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7 H.P. 927

House of Representatives, March 15, 1983

8 Referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and
9 ordered printed.

10 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Reeves of Pittston.

Cosponsor: Representative Reeves of Newport.

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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
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17 AN ACT Concerning Inspection of Hotel
18 Records by Police Officers.
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20 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
21 follows:

22 30 MRSA §2801 is amended to read:

23 §2801. Register; contents; inspection; penalty

24 Every person conducting any hotel or ~~lodginghouse~~
25 lodging house shall at all times keep and maintain or
26 cause to be kept and maintained therein a register in
27 which shall be inscribed the true name of each and
28 every guest or person renting or occupying a room or
29 rooms therein. ~~Such~~ That register shall be signed by
30 the person renting ~~such~~ the room or rooms, or by
31 someone under his direction. The proprietor of ~~such~~
32 that hotel or ~~lodginghouse~~ lodging house, or his
33 agent, shall thereupon write opposite ~~such~~ the name

1 or names so registered the number of each room
2 assigned to and occupied by each ~~such~~ guest, together
3 with the date ~~such~~ that room is rented. The propri-
4 etor of ~~such~~ that hotel or ~~lodginghouse~~ lodging
5 house, or his agent, shall keep and preserve a record
6 showing the date when the occupant of each room so
7 rented shall quit and surrender the ~~same~~ room. ~~Such~~
8 The record may be made a part of the register, and
9 both shall be kept available for a period of 2 years
10 at all reasonable times to the inspection of any
11 lawful agent of the licensing authority or the
12 sheriff and his deputies or any ~~state~~ duly authorized
13 police officer. Any person who willfully violates any
14 provision of this section shall be punished by a fine
15 of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500, or by
16 imprisonment for not more than 90 days for each
17 offense, or by both.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

19 The purpose of this bill is to permit the inspec-
20 tion of hotel and lodging house records by duly
21 authorized local police officers as well as by state
22 police officers.

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