

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

NO. 1704

H.P. 1248 House of Representatives, May 29, 1987  
Reported by Representative HUSSEY from the Committee on  
State and Local Government and printed under Joint Rule 2.  
EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk  
Original bill sponsored by Representative MELENDY of  
Rockland. Cosponsored by Representatives HOGLUND of Portland,  
FOSTER of Ellsworth, and Senator KANY of Kennebec.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**AN ACT to Establish the First Full Week of  
June as Garden Week.**

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**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts of the Legis-  
lature do not become effective until 90 days after  
adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

7       Whereas, the 90-day period will not expire until  
8 after the first week of June; and

9       Whereas, the first full week of June has been  
10 proclaimed by the Governor as Garden Week every year  
11 for many years; and

1           Whereas, the Maine Federation of Garden Clubs is  
2 an organization which has given countless volunteer  
3 hours beautifying the municipal, recreational and  
4 open spaces of Maine towns and cities; and

5           Whereas, the National Council of State Garden  
6 Clubs has asked the Maine Federation of Garden Clubs  
7 to join with other states in seeking legislation to  
8 establish the first full week of June as Garden Week  
9 by June, 1987; and

10           Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature,  
11 these facts create an emergency within the meaning of  
12 the Constitution of Maine and require the following  
13 legislation as immediately necessary for the preser-  
14 vation of the public peace, health and safety; now,  
15 therefore,

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

18           1 MRS A §128 is enacted to read:

19           §128. Garden Week

20           Garden Week shall be established as the first  
21 full week of June of each year and the Governor shall  
22 annually issue a proclamation inviting and urging the  
23 people of the State to observe the week with appro-  
24 prate celebration and activities.

25           Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited  
26 in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when ap-  
27 proved.

STATEMENT OF FACT

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The purpose of this bill is to establish on behalf of the Maine Federation of Garden Clubs, the first full week of June as Garden Week.

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