

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# FORTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE.

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HOUSE.

No. 27.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SIXTY-NINE.

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AN ACT to amend section four of chapter ninety-four of the revised statutes relating to forcible entry and detainer, and providing that the complaint may be sworn to by an agent or attorney.

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*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

Section four of chapter ninety-four of the revised  
2 statutes is hereby amended by striking out all words  
3 after the word "appearance" in the seventh line and  
4 inserting instead thereof the words, "the complaint  
5 may be made in the name of the claimant, and be  
6 sworn to by himself or his agent or attorney, and if  
7 the claimant lives out of the state, it must be endorsed  
8 like writs ; and in such case, if a recognizance is re-  
9 quired, any person may recognize in behalf of the

10 claimant, and shall be personally liable," so that the  
11 section as amended shall read as follows :

12 *Sect. 4.* On a written complaint, sworn to, charging  
13 a forcible and unlawful entry or detainer of real estate  
14 as aforesaid, a summons may be issued to a proper  
15 officer, commanding the person complained of to ap-  
16 pear and show cause why judgment should not be  
17 rendered against him, which shall be served like other  
18 writs of summons, seven days before the day for his  
19 appearance. The complaint may be made in the name  
20 of the claimant, and be sworn to by himself or his  
21 agent or attorney, and if the claimant lives out of  
22 the state, it must be endorsed like writs ; and in such  
23 case if a recognizance is required, any person may  
24 recognize in behalf of the claimant, and shall be per-  
25 sonally liable.

STATE OF MAINE.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
February 5, 1869. }

Reported from the Committee on Judiciary, by Mr. REED, and  
printed under Joint Rule.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*