

FOBTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 78.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend chapter two hundred and seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, relating to liens of mechanics.

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

SECT. 1. Section one of chapter two hundred and 2 seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred sixty-3 eight, is amended by striking out in the seventh and 4 eighth lines the words, "shall continue ninety days 5 after payment becomes due and," and inserting the 6 word "lien," so that the section, as amended, shall 7 read as follows:

8 Sect. 1. A person who performs or furnishes labor 9 or materials for erecting, altering or repairing a house, 10 building or appurtenances, by virtue of a contract

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11 with or by consent of the owner, shall have a lien 12 thereon, and on the lot of land on which it stands, or 13 on any interest such owner has in the land or in the 14 equity of redemption, if under mortgage, to secure 15 payment of such lien, and of the costs of its enforce-16 ment, which lien may be enforced by attachment; and 17 if a levy is made thereon, the appraisers may set out 18 to the creditor a suitable lot for such building, if they 19 think the whole not needed therefor.

SECT. 2. Sections four and five of the same chapter 2 shall not apply to contracts wherein the owner of 3 houses, buildings and appurtenances is purchaser or 4 employer.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, February 27, 1869.

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

S. J. CHADBOURNE, Clerk.