

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIFTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 49.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND
SEVENTY-SIX.

AN ACT to amend section five of chapter one hundred
thirty-eight of the revised statutes, relating to fugitives
from justice.

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

SECTION 1. Section five of chapter one hundred and
2 thirty-eight of the revised statutes is hereby amended
3 so as to read as follows :

4 Whenever any prisoner who has been convicted of, or
5 charged with, a capital crime or other high offence
6 escapes from prison in this State, or there is reason-
7 able cause to believe that any person who is charged
8 with such offence and has not been apprehended there-
9 for, cannot be arrested and secured in the ordinary

10 course of proceedings, the governor may, upon appli-
11 cation in writing of the attorney general or county
12 attorney for the county in which such offence was
13 committed, and upon such terms and conditions as he
14 may deem expedient and proper, offer a suitable
15 reward not exceeding one thousand dollars, for the
16 arrest, return and delivery into custody of every such
17 escaped prisoner or fugitive from justice, and upon
18 satisfactory proof that the terms and conditions of such
19 offer have been complied with, may, with the advice
20 of the executive council, draw his warrant upon the
21 treasurer for the payment thereof.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES }
January 31, 1876. }

Reported from the Committee on the Judiciary by Mr. POWERS
of Houlton, and ordered printed under the Joint Rule.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*