

FIFTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 33.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend section four of chapter one hundred and twenty-five of the revised statutes, relating to gambling.

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

Section four of chapter one hundred twenty-five of 2 the revised statutes, is hereby amended, by adding to 3 said section the words, "and all executions issued on 4 judgment in favor of the loser or in favor of a third 5 person as above mentioned, shall show 'that the judg-6 ment was rendered against the defendant for or on 7 account of money won at gambling, and shall order 8 the defendant to be committed to jail for the space of 9 three months from date of arrest, at the county's ex-10 pense, unless the judgment, costs and board, while in 11 jail, shall sooner be paid,' after which time he may be

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12 released on giving bond or disclosing as is provided in 13 case of poor debtors," so that when amended said 14 section shall read as follows:

15Whoever by gambling or betting on per-Sect. 4. 16 sons gambling, loses to any person so gambling or bet-17 ting any money or goods, and pays or delivers any 18 part thereof, may sue for and recover the same of the 19 winner in action on the case, brought within three 20 months thereafter; and if the loser does not, without 21 covin or collusion, within said time prosecute therefor 22 with effect, any other person may sue for and recover 23 of the winner treble the value of the same in such ac-24 tion, half to his own use, and half to the use of the 25 town; and all executions issued on judgment in favor 26 of the loser or in favor of a third person as above men-27tioned, shall show 'that the judgment was rendered 28 against the defendant for or on account or money won 29 at gambling, and shall order the defendant to be com-30 mitted to jail for the space of three months from date 31 of arrest, at the county's expense, unless the judg-32 ment, cost and board, while in jail, shall sooner be 33 paid,' after which time he may be released on giving 34 bond or disclosing, as is provided in case of poor 35 debtors.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 23, 1877.

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

ORAMANDAL SMITH, Clerk.