

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Fifty-Seventh Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 179.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend section twelve of chapter one hundred
and twenty-two of the revised statutes, relating to cor-
rupt agreements by attorneys and others.

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

Section twelve, chapter one hundred and twenty-two
2 of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by striking
3 out all after the word "law," in the ninth line, and
4 inserting instead thereof the following words : "or in
5 equity; or brings, prosecutes or defends, or agrees to
6 bring, prosecute or defend any suit at law or in equity
7 upon shares, he shall be punished by a fine not exceed-
8 ing one thousand dollars, nor less than twenty dollars,
9 or by imprisonment not more than one year," so that
10 said section as amended shall read as follows :

11 *Sect. 12.* If any person loans, advances or prom-
12 ises to loan or advance any money; gives or promises
13 to give day of payment on any demand left with him
14 for collection; gives or promises any valuable considera-
15 tion; becomes liable in any manner for the payment
16 of anything; becomes surety for another for such pay-
17 ment, or requests, advises or procures another person
18 to become responsible or surety as aforesaid, with in-
19 tent thereby to procure any account, note or other
20 demand for the profit arising from its collection by a
21 suit at law or in equity; or brings, prosecutes or de-
22 fends, or agrees to bring, prosecute or defend any suit
23 at law or in equity upon shares, he shall be punished
24 by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, nor less
25 than twenty dollars, or by imprisonment not more than
26 one year.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 15, 1878. }

Reported from the Committee on the Judiciary, by Mr. MUR-
RAY of Pembroke, and ordered printed under the Joint Rule.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*