

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Fifty-Seventh Legislature.

SENATE.

No. 26.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

[H. R. 49.] AN ACT to encourage the development of the mining interests of the state.

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

SECTION 1. That all mines of gold, silver or of the
2 baser metals, which are now or may be opened and in
3 process of development, shall be exempt from taxation
4 for a term of ten years from the time of such opening.

SECT. 2. This act shall not effect the taxation of
2 the lands or the surface improvements of the same, at
3 the same rate of valuation as similar lands and build-
4 ings in the vicinity.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, February 1, 1878.

Reported by Mr. DAVIS of Penobscot, from the Committee on the Judiciary, and laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*