

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIFTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 12.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT relating to sale of church pews.

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

That whenever any parish or church shall raise
2 their current expenses by assessment on the pews
3 of the church, any owner of a pew or pews in said
4 church who shall not occupy said pew or pews
5 either by himself or family, or rent the same, may
6 give a written notice to the clerk of the parish or
7 church, or to the parish committee or assessors, of
8 his, her or their intention not to occupy said pew
9 or pews for the term of one year following the next
10 annual meeting of said parish or church, in which
11 case the owner of said pew or pews shall not be
12 liable for the payment of any tax that may be

13 assessed on said pew or pews during said year,
14 neither shall he have the right of acting and voting
15 at said annual meeting, unless he retain a pew for
16 the occupancy of himself and family; and the
17 parish or church shall have a right to let said pew
18 or pews during said year, and appropriate the
19 amount received therefrom to the current expenses
20 of the parish or church; and said parish or church
21 shall not sell said pew or pews for taxes assessed
22 that year.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
January 22, 1879. }

Laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

B. L. STAPLES, *Clerk.*