

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIFTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 70.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to prevent the use of language which if printed or written would be criminally libellous.

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

SECTION 1. No person shall use language to, of, 2 or concerning another, which if written or printed 3 would be criminally libellous.

SECT. 2. Any person violating this act, shall be 2 liable to a fine not exceeding ten dollars, or im- 3 prisonment not exceeding thirty days.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 6, 1879.

Reported from the Committee on Legal Affairs, by Mr. HUTCHINSON of Lewiston, and ordered printed under the Joint Rule.

B. L. STAPLES, *Clerk.*