

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# FIFTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE.

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HOUSE.

No. 154.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT to amend section thirty-six, chapter eighty-two of the revised statutes, relating to the number of hours making a legal day's work.

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

Section thirty-six of chapter eighty-two of the  
2 revised statutes is amended, by striking out all  
3 after the word "work," in the second line, and  
4 inserting the following: "And if any person, com-  
5 pany or corporation, by its attorney, agent, clerk  
6 or servant, shall employ any person or persons to  
7 labor in any cotton, woolen, silk, paper or bagging  
8 mill, more than ten hours on any secular day, the  
9 person, company or corporation so offending shall  
10 pay a penalty of three hundred dollars, to be sued

11 for and recovered by any person suing for same in  
12 an action of the case, one-half of same to belong  
13 to the person suing for it, and the other half to the  
14 county in which the offence was committed; but  
15 this rule shall not apply to agricultural employ-  
16 ment, nor to the making of necessary repairs upon  
17 the machinery or buildings of said persons, com-  
18 panies or corporations,” so that said section, as  
19 amended, shall read as follows:

20 “In all contracts for labor, ten hours of actual  
21 labor shall be a legal day’s work. And if any  
22 person, company or corporation, by its attorney,  
23 agent, clerk or servant, shall employ any person or  
24 persons to labor in any cotton, woolen, silk, paper  
25 or bagging mill, more than ten hours on any  
26 secular day, the person, company or corporation so  
27 offending, shall pay a penalty of three hundred  
28 dollars, to be sued for and recovered by any person  
29 suing for same in an action of the case, one-half of  
30 same to belong to the person suing for it, and the  
31 other half to the county in which the offence was  
32 committed; but this rule shall not apply to agri-  
33 cultural employment, nor to the making of neces-  
34 sary repairs upon the machinery or building of said  
35 persons, companies or corporations.”

**STATE OF MAINE.**

**IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
February 22, 1879. }**

**Introduced by Mr. ANDREWS of Cornish, and on motion of  
Mr. YOUNG of Brunswick, ordered printed.**

**B. L. STAPLES, *Clerk.***