

FIFTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

No. 55.

STATE OF MAINE.

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Per order.

ALDEN BRADFORD,

For six of the Committee.

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Per order of Minority of Committee.

L. B. PATTEN, W. W. LIBBY.



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

AN ACT relating to life insurance.

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

SECTION 1. All answers, statements, representa-2 tions, or declarations made on applying for, obtain-3 ing, or procuring a policy of insurance, on the life 4 of any person or persons, shall be deemed and held 5 to be representations only, and not warranties; any 6 such representations so made, unless the same 7 were knowingly false, and made with a view to 8 deceive the company, shall not be deemed material 9 or affect the contract, or render the policy void, 10 unless the matter misrepresented, shall have actu-11 ally contributed to the contingency or event on 12 which the policy is to become due and payable, and 13 whether it so contributed in any case, shall be a 14 question for the jury.

SECT. 2. All premiums on such policies, except-2 ing that payable at the making of the policy, shall

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3 be made payable at some place within this state
4 designated in the policy; and if not so made paya5 ble, no action shall be maintained for the recovery
6 of the same, nor shall the policy be in any way
7 affected by such non-payment, unless the same
8 shall remain unpaid for thirty days after personal
9 demand upon the party liable for such premium.

SECT. 3. All policies or contracts for life insur-2 ance hereafter made, drawn or delivered by any 3 person in this state authorized by any foreign or 4 domestic insurance company to receive applications 5 for life insurance, or payments of premiums, or 6 whose name shall be borne in the policy or con-7 tract, shall be subject to the terms and provisions 8 of this act, the same as though the act was incor-9 porated therein; and all provisions contained in 10 any such policy or contract of insurance, in conflict 11 with the provisions of this act, are hereby declared 12 contrary to public policy, and null and void, but all 13 other valid stipulations in the policy or contract 14 shall remain binding and obligatory.

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IN SENATE, February 13, 1879.

Pending motion to amend by substituting the minority report, on motion by Mr. PATTEN of Penobscot, Ordered, That the reports lie on the table and be printed with the accompanying bill.

SAMUEL W. LANE, Secretary.