

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty - Third Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 4.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to abolish arrest and imprisonment for debt,
except in certain cases.

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

SECTION 1. No person shall be arrested or im-
2 prisoned on any writ or mesne process in any civil
3 action or proceeding or on any execution or final
4 process issued on any judgment rendered in any
5 civil action or proceeding, except as herein provided.

SECT. 2. The prohibition of arrest and imprison-
2 ment in section one of this Act shall not apply to
3 any capias or other process issued to procure the
4 attendance of any person as witness, juror or officer
5 of court in any legal proceeding or to any inter-

6 locutory decrees or orders or to commitments for
7 contempt or to the accused party or respondent
8 in bastardy proceedings under the Statutes of the
9 State or to the collection or disposal of public
10 taxes in any mode provided or to be provided by
11 law.

SECT. 3. No writ on mense process or execution
2 or final process issued after this Act takes effect
3 shall run against the body contrary to the provis-
4 ions of this Act the right to attach and dispose of
5 property or interest therein in any mode or modes
6 is not hereby abridged or affected.

SECT. 4. This Act shall take effect and become
2 a law when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
January 13, 1887. }

Tabled on motion of Mr. POWERS of Houlton, and ordered printed.

NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, *Clerk.*