

# Sixty-Fifth Legislature.

### HOUSE.

No. 216.

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# STATE OF MAINE.

#### IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE.

AN ACT to amend section thirty-eight of chapter ninety-one of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred and eighty-three of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, relating to liens on lumber.

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

SECTION 1. Section thirty-eight of chapter ninety one 2 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter one hun-3 dred and eighty-three of the Public Laws of eighteen 4 hundred and eighty-nine is hereby amended by inserting 5 after the word "employed" in the fourth line of said sec-6 tion the words, 'or furnishes supplies for actual use in 7 such operations,' and by inserting after the word "team" 8 in the sixth line, the words 'and for such supplies,' and 9 by adding after the word "equity" in the last line, the

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10 following words, 'provided, however, that the lien for 11 supplies shall be subject to the labor lien and shall not be 12 enforced unless the person claiming such lien, within ten 13 days from the time the first supplies are so furnished, and 14 as often as once in thirty days thereafter while such sup-15 plies are being furnished, gives the owner of said logs or 16 lumber notice in writing stating the value of the supplies 17 so furnished and his intention to claim such lien. Notice 18 so given to one co-partner of a firm or to the agent or any 19 officer of a corporation or to any person having charge of 20 such property for the owner, shall be deemed sufficient, 21 so that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

Whoever labors at cutting, hauling, raft-'Section 38. 23 ing or driving logs or lumber, or at cooking for persons 24 engaged in such labor, or in shoeing horses or oxen or 25 repairing property while thus employed, or furnishes sup-26 plies for actual use in such operations, has a lien on the 27 logs or lumber for the amount due for his personal ser-28 vices, and the services performed by his team, and for 29 such supplies which takes precedence of all other claims, 30 except liens reserved to the State; continues for sixty 31 days after the logs or lumber arrive at the place of desti-32 nation for sale or manufacture, and may be enforced by 33 attachment. In such actions the court has the same power 34 to allow and apportion costs as in equity. Provided, 35 however, that the lien for supplies shall be subject to the 36 labor lien and shall not be enforced unless the person 37 claiming such lien, within ten days from the time the first 38 supplies are so furnished, and as often as once in thirty 39 days thereafter while such supplies are being furnished, 40 gives the owner of said logs or lumber notice in writing 41 stating the value of the supplies so furnished and his 42 intention to claim such lien. Notice so given to one co-43 partner of a firm or to the agent or any officer of a corpo-44 ration or to any person having charge of such property 45 for the owner, shall be deemed sufficient.'

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### MAJORITY REPORT.

The Committee on Judiciary to which was referred the Order of the Legislature relating to liens on lumber have had the same under consideration, and ask leave to report that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

> Ryder, Powers, Stearns, Payson, Savage, Clason.

## MINORITY REPORT.

The Committee on Judiciary to which was referred the Order of the Legislature relating to liens on lumber, have had the same under consideration, and ask leave to report the accompanying bill "An Act to amend section thirty-eight of chapter ninety-one of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter one hundred and eighty-three of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine relating to liens on lumber.

CHADBOURNE,

HERRICK,

For the Committee.

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House of Representatives, March 6, 1891.

Tabled, pending acceptance of either report, by Mr. HERRICK of Bethel, and both reports and bill ordered printed.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.