

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# Seventieth Legislature.

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HOUSE.

No. 50

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT to amend section 19 of chapter 118 of the Revised Statutes, relating to Offenses against the Lives and Persons of Individuals.

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

Section 1. Section 19 of chapter 118 of the Revised Statutes, is hereby amended by striking out the words "five years" in the seventh line of said section, and inserting instead thereof the words 'not more than twenty years' so said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 19. Whoever unlawfully confines or imprisons another, or forcibly transports or carries him out of the State, or from place to place within it, or so seizes, conveys, inveigles, or kidnaps any person, with intent to cause him to

10 be so dealt with; or sells as a slave, or transfers, for any term  
11 of time, the service of any person of color, who has been so  
12 seized, inveigled, or kidnapped, shall be punished by impris-  
13 onment for not more than twenty years, or by a fine not  
14 exceeding one thousand dollars. Indictments for these  
15 offenses may be found and tried in the county where such  
16 person was carried or brought, or in the county where the  
17 offenses was committed; and on trial the consent of such per-  
18 son shall not be a defense, unless it appears that it was not  
19 obtained by fraud, threats, or duress.'



STATE OF MAINE.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

AUGUSTA, January 31, 1901.

Reported by Mr CARLETON of Winthrop, from Committee on the  
Judiciary, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*