

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

NEW DRAFT.

Seventieth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 420

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to define the duties of harbor masters in towns and
plantations, and for the regulation of harbors and anchorages.

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

Sect. 1. The municipal authorities of all maritime towns
2 and plantations may make rules and regulations for the keep-
3 ing open of convenient channels for the passage of vessels in
4 the harbors and waterways of the towns for which they act,
5 and may establish the boundary lines of such channels, and
6 assign suitable portions of their harbors for anchorages.

Sect. 2. Such rules and regulations as may be made by such
2 municipal authorities shall be enforced and carried out by

3 the harbor master of said town, who may appoint a deputy
4 to act in case of his absence or disability.

Sect. 3. Such harbor master shall, upon complaint to him
2 by the master, owner or agent of any vessel, cause any other
3 vessel or vessels obstructing the free movement or safe anch-
4 orage of such vessel to remove to a position to be designated
5 by him, and to cause, without any complaint being made to
6 him, any vessels anchoring within the channel lines as estab-
7 lished by the municipal authorities, as provided in section one
8 of this act, to remove to such anchorage as he may designate.

Sect. 4. If such vessel has no crew on board, or if the
2 master or other person in charge neglects or refuses to move
3 such vessel as directed by the harbor master, then and in that
4 case such harbor master may put a suitable crew on board
5 and move such vessel to a suitable berth at a wharf or anchor-
6 age at the cost and risk of the owners thereof, and shall
7 charge two dollars, to be paid by the master or owner of such
8 vessel, which charge together with the cost of the crew for
9 removing such vessel the harbor master may collect by suit.

Sect. 5. Harbor masters may, when assault is committed
2 either upon themselves or any person acting under their
3 authority, arrest and deliver to the police authorities on shore
4 any person committing such assault.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

AUGUSTA, March 14, 1901.

On motion by Mr. ALLAN of Portland, from Committee on Legal
Affairs, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*