

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# SEVENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE.

No. 496

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT to amend Section 2 of Chapter 46 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 90 of the Public Laws of 1905, relating to interest on loans on personal property.

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

Section 2 of Chapter 46 of the Revised Statutes as amended 2 by Chapter 90 of the Public Laws of 1905, is hereby amended 3 by inserting after the word "mortgage" in the third line 4 thereof, the word 'conveyance,' and by striking out in the 5 eighteenth and nineteenth lines of the same the words 6 "holder of said security," and inserting in lieu thereof the 7 following words: 'person loaning the money whether pri- 8 cipal or agent,' so that said section as amended shall read 9 as follows:

‘Sect. 2. All loans contracted after March eleven, eighteen  
11 hundred and ninety-nine, for less than two hundred dollars,  
12 secured by mortgage, conveyance, or pledge of personal  
13 property, shall be dischargeable by the debtor upon payment  
14 or tender of the principal sum actually borrowed, and inter-  
15 est at the rate specified therein, which shall not exceed three  
16 per cent a month for a period not exceeding three months,  
17 and thereafter not exceeding the rate of fifteen per cent a  
18 year; no renewal thereof to bear a greater rate than fifteen  
19 per cent a year. A sum not exceeding three dollars for the  
20 actual expense of making the loan and in securing the same  
21 may be charged and collected. And all loans made in viola-  
22 tion of this act shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent  
23 only, and all payments made in excess of six per cent inter-  
24 est on loans so made in violation hereof shall be applied to  
25 the discharge of the principal; and, in case a greater sum  
26 has been paid by the borrower than the amount of the prin-  
27 cipal and interest at six per cent on loans so made in viola-  
28 tion hereof, may be recovered from the person loaning the  
29 money, whether principal or agent, by the borrower, in an  
30 action on the case.’



STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, March 12, 1907.

Reported by Mr. MONTGOMERY from Committee on Judiciary, and  
ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, *Clerk.*