

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 62

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT relating to holidays.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. Section eighty-eight of Chapter fifteen of the
2 Revised Statutes of nineteen hundred three, as amended by
3 Section fourteen of Chapter forty-eight of the Public Laws
4 of nineteen hundred five, as amended by Chapter forty-eight
5 of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred seven, is hereby
6 amended by adding, at the end of said section, the words
7 'February twelve shall be observed by the teachers and
8 pupils in all the public schools of the State as Lincoln Day,
9 the study and exercises to relate entirely to the life, character
10 and acts of Abraham Lincoln upon February twelve. When

11 Lincoln Day falls on a Saturday or Sunday the observance
12 of the same shall be as above stated on the following Mon-
13 day.' So that said Section eighty-eight as amended shall
14 read as follows:

"Sect. 88. The following days shall be observed as school
16 holidays, namely: New Year's Day, January one; Wash-
17 ington's Birthday, February twenty-two; Patriot's Day, April
18 nineteen; Memorial Day, May thirty; Independence Day,
19 July four; Labor Day, first Monday in September; Christmas
20 Day, December twenty-five; Thanksgiving and Arbor Days,
21 as appointed by Governor and Council. Provided, however,
22 that Arbor Day shall not be recognized as a school holiday,
23 unless observed by teacher and pupils for the purpose for
24 which it is designated by the Governor and Council. All
25 teachers of public schools in the State may close their schools
26 on the days above mentioned and draw pay the same as if
27 their schools had been in session upon those days. When
28 any one of the above named holidays falls on a Sunday, the
29 Monday following shall be observed as a school holiday, with
30 all the privileges applying to any of the days above named.
31 February twelve shall be observed by the teachers and pupils
32 in all the public schools of the State as Lincoln Day, the study
33 and exercises to relate entirely to the life, character and acts
34 of Abraham Lincoln upon February twelve. When Lincoln
35 Day falls on a Saturday or Sunday the observance of the
36 same shall be as above stated on the following Monday."

Sect. 2. Section nine of Chapter thirty-four of the Re-

2 vised Statutes of nineteen hundred three, as amended by
3 Section two of Chapter forty-eight of the Public Laws of
4 nineteen hundred seven, is hereby amended by striking out,
5 in the third line of said section, the words "the first day of
6 January," so that said section as amended shall read as fol-
7 lows:

'Sect. 9. And day of public thanksgiving appointed by the
9 Governor and Council, or by the President of the United
10 States, the twenty-second day of February, the nineteenth
11 day of April, the thirtieth day of May, the fourth day of
12 July, the first Monday of September and the twenty-fifth day
13 of December, are hereby declared to be bank holidays.'

Sect. 3. Section fifty-two of Chapter seventy-nine of the
2 Revised Statutes of nineteen hundred three, as amended by
3 Section three of Chapter forty-eight of the Public Laws of
4 nineteen hundred seven, is hereby amended by striking out,
5 in the third line thereof, the words "the first day of January,"
6 so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 52. No court shall be held on Sunday, or any day
8 designated for the annual thanksgiving, or for the choice of
9 presidential electors, the nineteenth day of April, the thirtieth
10 day of May, the fourth day of July, the first Monday of Sep-
11 tember, the day of State election, or on Christmas day; and
12 when the time fixed for a term of said court falls on either of
13 said days, it shall stand adjourned until the next day, which
14 shall be deemed the first day of the term for all purposes.'

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Augusta, February 3, 1909.

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E. M. THOMPSON, *Clerk.*