

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE.

No. 370

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT relating to the circulation of false stories affecting
banks.

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

Section 1. Any person who shall willfully and maliciously
2 make, circulate or transmit to another or others any state-
3 ment, rumor or suggestion, written, printed or by word of
4 mouth, which is directly or by inference derogatory to the
5 financial condition or condition or affects the solvency or
6 financial standing of any bank, savings bank, banking insti-
7 tution or trust company doing business in this State, or
8 who shall counsel, aid, procure or induce another to start,
9 transmit or circulate any such statement or rumor, shall

10 be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof,
11 shall be punished by a fine of not more than one thousand
12 dollars or by imprisonment for a term of not more than
13 five years, or both.



STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE,

March 10, 1909.

Presented by Mr. BAXTER of Cumberland and on motion
by Mr. MACOMBER of Kennebec tabled for printing pending
reference to a committee.

F. G. FARRINGTON, *Secretary.*