

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 611

House of Representatives, Mar. 16, 1911.

Reported by Mr. Descoteaux from committee on Labor and ordered printed under joint rules.

C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT in relation to accidents and requiring them to be reported to the Commissioner of Labor; requiring investigations thereof, and providing penalties for the violation of this Act.

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

Section 1. The person in charge of any factory, work-
shop or other industrial establishment shall report in writ-
ing to the Commissioner of Labor all deaths, accidents, or
serious physical injuries sustained by any person therein or
on the premises, within ten days after the time of the acci-
dent, death or injury, stating as fully as possible the cause
of the death or the extent and cause of the injury, and the
place where the injured person has been sent, with such
other or further information relative thereto as may be re-

10 quired by said commissioner, who may investigate the causes
11 thereof and require such precautions to be taken as will pre-
12 vent the recurrence of similar happenings. No statement
13 contained in any such report shall be admissible in evidence
14 in any action arising out of the death or accident therein
15 reported.

Sect. 2. The term "serious physical injuries," as used in
2 this act, shall be construed to mean every accident which re-
3 sults in the death of the employees or causes his absence from
4 work for at least six days thereafter.

Sect. 3. Any person in charge of properties as described
2 in Section 1 of this Act, where accidents shall have occurred,
3 who shall fail or refuse to send such notices and statements
4 and otherwise comply with the provisions of this Act, shall
5 be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall
6 be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars
7 nor more than fifty dollars.