

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE

NO. 262

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*House of Representatives, Feb. 19, 1913.*

*Reported by Mr. Descoteaux from Committee on Labor, and  
ordered printed under joint rules.*

*W. R. ROIX, Clerk.*

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT to amend Chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, as  
amended by Chapter 46 of the Public Laws of 1907, and  
Chapters 70 and 257 of the Public Laws of 1909 relative  
to the employment of women and children.

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

Section 1. Section 48 of chapter 40 of the Revised Stat-  
utes is hereby amended by striking out the word "fifty-  
eight" in the tenth line and inserting in place thereof the  
word 'fifty-six,' so that said section when amended shall  
read as follows:

'Sect. 48. No female minor under eighteen years of age,  
no male minor under sixteen years of age, and no woman

8 shall be employed in laboring in any manufacturing or me-  
9 chanical establishment in the state, more than ten hours in  
10 any one day, except when it is necessary to make repairs  
11 to prevent the interruption of the ordinary running of the  
12 machinery, or when a different apportionment of the hours  
13 of labor is made for the sole purpose of making a shorter  
14 day's work for one day of the week; and in no case shall  
15 the hours of labor exceed fifty-six in a week; and no male  
16 person sixteen years of age and over shall be so employed  
17 as above more than ten hours a day during minority, unless  
18 he voluntarily contracts to do so with the consent of his  
19 parents, or one of them, if any, or guardian, and in such  
20 case he shall receive extra compensation for his services;  
21 provided, however, that any female of eighteen years of  
22 age or over, may lawfully contract for such labor for any  
23 number of hours in excess of ten hours a day, not exceed-  
24 ing six hours in any one week, or sixty hours in any one  
25 year, receiving additional compensation therefor; but during  
26 her minority the consent of her parents, or one of them, or  
27 guardian, shall be first obtained.'