

### SEVENTY-SIXTH. LEGISLATURE

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# SENATE

NO. 76

In Senate, Jan. 23, 1913.

Came from the House referred to the Committee on Judiciary, and on motion by Senator Hersey of Aroostook laid on the table for printing pending reference in concurrence.

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

# STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend section twenty-seven of chapter one hundred and thirty-five of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter one hundred and eighty-four of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred and nine, relating to new trials in criminal cases.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:
Section twenty-seven of chapter one hundred and thirty-2 five of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter one
3 hundred and eighty-four of the Public Laws of nineteen
4 hundred and nine, is hereby amended so that said section
5 twenty-seven as hereby amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 27. If a motion for new trial in any case in which

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7 a person has been convicted of any offense for which the 8 punishment is imprisonment for life, is denied by the justice 9 before whom the same is heard, the respondent may appeal 10 from said decision to the next law term; and the concur-11 rence of a majority of the justices shall be necessary to 12 grant such motion. And in all other criminal cases amount-13 ing to a felony, where like motion is filed and appeal taken 14 to the law court the concurrence of a majority of the jus-15 tices shall be necessary to grant such motion and sentence 16 shall be imposed upon conviction, either by verdict or de-17 murrer.'