

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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SENATE

NO. 426

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*In Senate, March 3, 1913.*

*Came from the House referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs, and on motion by Senator Bailey of Penobscot laid on the table for printing pending reference in concurrence.*

*W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.*

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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 Section twenty-eight of Chapter one hundred and fourteen of the Revised Statutes relating to the relief of poor debtors.

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

Section 1. Section twenty-eight of chapter one hundred and fourteen of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the word "dollars" in the thirteenth line thereof the following words: 'and ten dollars from said wages shall be exempt in all cases,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

‘Sect. 28. When from such disclosure it appears that the  
8 debtor possesses, or has under his control, any bank bills,  
9 notes, accounts, bonds or other contracts or property, not  
10 exempt by statute from attachment, which cannot be come  
11 at to be attached, and the petitioner and debtor cannot agree  
12 to apply the same towards the debt, the magistrate hearing  
13 the disclosure shall appraise and set off enough of such  
14 property to satisfy the debt, cost and charges; and the peti-  
15 tioner or his attorney, if present, may select the property to  
16 be appraised. If the petitioner accepts it, it may be as-  
17 signed and delivered to him by the debtor, and applied to-  
18 wards the satisfaction of his demand. Except where the  
19 original debt was for necessaries, the debtor shall not be  
20 required to assign any sums due him as wages for his per-  
21 sonal labor earned within one month next preceding the date  
22 of the disclosure and not exceeding twenty dollars, and ten  
23 dollars from said wages shall be exempt in all cases. If  
24 any particular article of such property, necessary or con-  
25 venient to be applied in satisfaction of the execution, exceed  
26 the amount due thereon, and is not divisible in its nature,  
27 the petitioner may take it, by paying the overplus to the  
28 debtor or securing it to the satisfaction of the magistrate.’