

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE **NO. 195**

House of Representatives, Feb. 16, 1915.

Ordered, That five hundred copies be printed and that the same be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Committee on Reference.

Presented by Mr. Greenleaf of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

**IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN**

AN ACT to amend Section 5, of Chapter 63 of the Revised
Statutes relating to Rights of Married Women.

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

Section 5 of Chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes is hereby
2 amended by adding after the word "injuries" in the fourth
3 line of said section, and before the word "as" in same line,
4 the following: 'including the right to prosecute suits for the
5 recovery of money lost by gambling, as provided for in sec-
6 tion 8 of chapter 126,' so that section as amended shall read
7 as follows:

'Sect. 5. She may prosecute and defend suits at law or in
9 equity, either in tort or contract, in her own name, without

10 the joinder of her husband, for the preservation of her prop-
11 erty and personal rights, or for the redress of her injuries,
12 including the right to prosecute suits for the recovery of
13 money lost by gambling, as provided for in section 8 of
14 chapter 126, as if unmarried, or may prosecute such suits
15 jointly with her husband, and the husband shall not settle
16 or discharge any such action or cause of action without the
17 written consent of the wife. Neither of them can be ar-
18 rested on such writ or execution, nor can he alone maintain
19 an action respecting his wife's property.'