

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 779

House of Representatives, March 16, 1915.

Reported by Mr. Bonney from Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance and ordered printed under joint rules.

C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relative to the Use of the Cinematograph.

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

Chapter twenty-one of the public laws for the year nineteen hundred and nine is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Section 1. No cinematograph or similar apparatus, involving the use of a combustible film more than ten inches in length, shall be kept, used or exhibited in any building, place of public assemblage or place or building used for entertainment, whether such place or building has been licensed for public entertainment or not unless a license or

10 permit shall have been first obtained from the municipal
11 officers of the city or town in which said cinematograph or
12 similar apparatus is kept or exhibited, and said cinemato-
13 graph or similar apparatus shall be placed in an enclosure
14 or booth consisting of a steel frame covered with asbestos-
15 wood and constructed and located in accordance with the
16 specifications hereinafter provided, and the entrances and
17 exits or fire escapes connected with such public building,
18 place of public assemblage or place or building erected in
19 accordance with the specifications hereinafter set forth;
20 provided, that this act shall not apply to any cinematograph
21 or similar apparatus operated with only cellulose acetate
22 films not more than one inch and one-fourth in width and
23 using only an enclosed incandescent lamp; provided also,
24 that the manufacturer of such cinematograph or similar
25 apparatus shall apply for and receive the approval of the
26 insurance commissioner; and provided also, that no such
27 cinematograph or similar apparatus shall be used where an
28 admission fee is charged, except in social, fraternal, charit-
29 able, religious and educational organizations, where the ma-
30 chine was so used is owned by said organization and used
31 in the city or town where said organization is located, and
32 the proceeds of such admission fees are to be devoted to the
33 uses of said organization.