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SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 57

In Senate, Feb. 9, 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. Dunton of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT in addition to Chapter 93 of the Revised Statutes relating to liens on land.

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

Section 1. Whoever, by virtue of a contract with or by

- 2 the consent of the owner or occupant of any land, furnishes
- 3 labor or materials in drilling or digging any well on such
- 4 land, or in extending or repairing one already drilled there-
- 5 on, has a lien for six months on the land on which such well
- 6 is drilled, or on buildings situated on such land to secure
- 7 payment thereof with costs; such lien shall have precedence
- 8 of all other claims and of all attachments and encumbrances

9 not made to secure a similar lien and may be enforced by 10 attachment within six months aforesaid; and if the owner 11 or occupant of such land so contracting is a minor or a 12 married woman, such lien shall exist, and such minority or 13 coverture shall not bar a recovery in any proceeding brought 14 to enforce it.

Sect. 2. If the labor or materials are not furnished by 2 virtue of a contract with the owner of the property affected, 3 the owner may prevent such lien for labor or materials not 4 then performed or furnished by giving written notice to the 5 person performing the same, that he will not be responsible 6 therefor.

Sect. 3. Such lien may be preserved and enforced in the 2 same manner and under the same restrictions as liens on 3 buildings and lots are preserved and enforced under sections 4 29 to 43 inclusive of chapter 93 of the revised statutes. The 5 lien provided for herein is made subject to all the provisions 6 of said sections and acts amendatory thereto, wherever ap-7 plicable.