

SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 331

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STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to regulate and define rights and privileges of newspaper correspondents.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows: Section I. Representatives of the press are hereby granted
the privilege of the floor of the House and Senate, and such
representatives shall be subject to such rules as may from
time to time be adopted by either branch of the legislature.
Such representatives to have the above privileges and to be
subject to the above named restrictions shall be actually
engaged in sending daily reports of the doings of the legislature to daily newspapers. No such representative shall
be interested in any private claim or measure now pending

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10 before the legislature, nor shall any such representative, 11 while acting as correspondent for any daily newspaper, and 12 as such correspondent having the privileges mentioned in this 13 act, become interested in the prosecution of any such claim 14 or measure.

Sect. 2. Room 82, the same being the room known as the 2 pharmacy and dentistry room, on the fourth floor of the 3 state house, shall be maintained and reserved, during the 4 legislative session, for the use of such representatives of the 5 press and it shall be the duty of the superintendent of pub-6 lic buildings to see that such room is properly furnished, 7 lighted, heated, and kept in order.

Sect. 3. In the distribution of public documents, the state 2 librarian and the department heads shall send to each rep-3 resentative of the press who was on duty at the last pre-4 ceding session of the legislature, such public documents as 5 are customarily sent to members of the legislature.