

SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 431

House of Representatives, Feb. 28, 1917.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary and five hundred copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Purington of Mechanic Falls.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend Section 10 of Chapter 102 of the Revised Statutes providing for the Discharge from Imprisonment.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:
Section ten of chapter one hundred two of the Revised
2 Statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words "nine3 ty days" in the second line thereof and substituting therefor
4 the words 'six months,' so that said section as amended shall
5 read as follows:

'Sect. 10. When the father of such bastard child has re-2 mained for six months in jail, without being able to comply

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3 with the order of the court, he may be liberated by taking 4 the poor debtor's oath, as persons committed on execution; 5 but he shall give fifteen days' notice of his intention to do so, 6 to the mother, if living, and to the clerk of the town where 7 the child has its legal settlement, if in the state. The mother 8 and said town may, after such liberation, recover of him by 9 action of debt any sum of money, which ought to have been 10 paid pursuant to the order of the court.'

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