

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 200

In Senate, Feb. 16, 1917.

Presented by Mr. Butler of Knox and on motion by Mr. Davies of Cumberland laid on the table and five hundred copies ordered printed pending reference to the House for reception in concurrence.

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

I hereby give notice to the Senate, under the provisions of joint rule 14, as it appears on page 47 of the Legislative hand book, that I shall on Thursday, February 22, introduce in the Senate, An Act for the enforcement of liens on watches, clocks and jewelry for labor and materials furnished in making, altering and repairing same, said Act being in substance as follows:

Section 1. Every individual, partnership or corporation
2 engaged in making, altering or repairing any watch, clock or
3 jewelry or expending any labor or materials thereon by di-

4 rection or consent of the owner thereof, shall have a lien
5 upon such watch, clock or jewelry for his reasonable com-
6 pensation for said labor and materials which shall take
7 precedence of all other claims and incumbrances, and such
8 watch, clock or jewelry shall be exempt from attachment or
9 execution until such lien and the cost of satisfying it are
10 satisfied.

Sect. 2. The lien holder shall retain such watch, clock
2 or jewelry for a period of one year, at the expiration of
3 which time, if such lien is not satisfied, he may sell such
4 watch, clock or jewelry at public auction, after giving thirty
5 days notice in writing to the owner, of the time and place of
6 such sale, specifying the amount which will then be due, ex-
7 clusive of costs and expenses, and describing the property to
8 be sold and the grounds of the lien. Such notice may be
9 given by publishing same in a newspaper published and cir-
10 culated in the County where the property is held, and also
11 by mailing a copy of such notice addressed to the owner's
12 place of residence if known, or if the owner's place of resi-
13 dence is unknown, a copy of said notice may be posted in
14 two public places in the town, village or city where the
15 property is held.

Sect. 3. After satisfying the lien and any costs and ex-
2 penses that may have accrued, any residue remaining from
3 said sale shall on demand within six months, be paid to the
4 owner, and if not so demanded within six months from such
5 sale, such residue shall be deposited by such lien holder, with

6 the treasurer of the County in which said property was held,
7 together with a statement of said lien holder's claim and the
8 cost of enforcing the same, a copy of the published notice.
9 and of the amount received for the property sold at said
10 sale, said residue shall by said County Treasurer be credited
11 to the general revenue fund of said County, subject to the
12 right of said owner, or his representatives, to reclaim at any
13 time within three years of the date of deposit with said
14 Treasurer.

This is in substance the same Act introduced in the Senate by me January 16, which was referred to the Judiciary Committee and which said Committee reported Ought not to pass, which said report was accepted in the Senate and by the House in concurrence.

It is desired by the friends of the bill and by many members of the Legislature that the Act be recommitted to the Committee for further consideration, hence this notice.