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NEW DRAFT.

SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 380

In Senate, March 22, 1917.

Reported by Mr. Marshall from Committee on Legal Affairs and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend Section Three Chapter Twenty-one of the Revised Statutes.

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

Section three of chapter twenty-one of the Revised Statutes

- 2 is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section
- 3 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
 - 'Sect. 3. Each town, parish, religious society, and any in-
- 2 dividual, association or corporation, to which any ancient
- 3 or public burying ground belongs, shall keep a substantial
- 4 fence around it in good repair; and in any such burying

5 ground in which any revolutionary soldier or sailor is buried, 6 the town in which said burying ground is located, shall 7 keep in good condition and repair, all graves, headstones, 8 monuments or markers designating the burial place of said 9 revolutionary soldiers or sailors, and shall keep the grass 10 suitably cut and trimmed on such graves during the summer 11 season. Towns may raise and appropriate money for such 12 purposes. Each said town, parish, religious society, individ-13 ual, association or corporation shall be liable to a penalty of 14 not exceeding twenty-five dollars for neglect to maintain 15 such fence in good repair, and each said town shall be liable 16 to a penalty of not exceeding ten dollars for neglect to keep 17 in good condition and repair all such graves, headstones, 18 monuments and markers, or failing to keep the grass suitably 19 cut and trimmed as aforesaid, on said graves.

The penalties above provided for shall be recovered in an 2 action of debt brought in the name and for the use of any 3 Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution 4 against such negligent town, parish, religious society, in-5 dividual, association or corporation.'