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CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Smith of Skowhegan. I manufacture benefit a

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE

AN ACT to Amend Chapter Three Hundred Fifty of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Fifteen, Relative to the Hours of Employment of Women and Minors.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows: Section 1. Section one of chapter three hundred fifty of 2 the public laws of nineteen hundred and fifteen, is hereby 3 amended by striking out the words "fifty-four" in the sev-4 enth line of said section and inserting in place thereof the 5 words 'forty-eight,' so that said section as amended shall 6 read as follows:

'Section 1. No male minor under sixteen years of age, 2 and no female shall be employed in any workshop factory;

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3 manufacturing or mechanical establishment or laundry 4 more than eight hours in any one day; except when a dif-5 ferent apportionment of the hours of labor is made for the 6 sole purpose of making a shorter day's work for one day of 7 the week; and in no case shall the hours of labor exceed 8 forty-eight in a week.'

Sect. 2. Section three of said chapter three hundred fifty 2 of the public laws of nineteen hundred and fifteen is hereby 3 amended by striking out the words "fifty-four" in the fourth 4 line of said section and inserting in place thereof the words 5 'forty-eight,' so that said section as amended shall read as 6 follows:

'Sect. 3. No male minor under sixteen years of age and 2 no female shall be employed in any telephone exchange 3 employing more than three operators or in any mercantile 4 establishment, store, restaurant, telegraph office or by any 5 express or transportation company in the State of Maine 6 more than forty-eight hours in any one week. The provi-7 sions of this section shall not apply between the seventeenth 8 day of December and the twenty-fourth day of December, 9 both inclusive, and shall not apply during the eight days 10 prior to Easter Sunday to persons employed in millinery 11 shops and stores. In case of emergency, in which there is 12 danger to property, life, public safety or public health and 13 in cases of extraordinary public requirement the provisions 14 of this act shall not apply to employers engaged in public 15 service.'