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EIGHTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

HOUSE NO. 201

House of Representatives, Feb. 28, 1923.

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

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Leland of Sangerville.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relative to the Hours of Employment of Men, Women and Minors.

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

Section I. Section one of chapter three hundred and fifty
2 of the public laws of nineteen hundred and fifteen as in
3 any way amended is amended as follows: Strike out all of
4 said section, and substitute therefor the following: 'Any
5 male minor over sixteen years of age, and any female six6 teen years of age or over, may be employed in any work7 shop, factory, mechanical or manufacturing establishment,
8 or laundry nine hours in any one day or fifty-four hours
9 in any one week, and no longer. If a different apportion-

10 ment of the hours of labor is desirable and made for the 11 sole purpose of making a shorter day's work for one day 12 of the week, a longer work-day shall be lawful, provided 13 the total number of hours worked in any one week shall 14 not exceed fifty-four. Any employment in accordance with 15 this section shall be deemed lawful unless it be found in 16 conflict with sections two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, 17 or nine of said chapter three hundred fifty of the public 18 laws of nineteen hundred and fifteen.'

Sect. 2. This act is intended, and shall be considered and 2 regarded, as an amended form of, and substitute for, any 3 bill, resolve or resolution proposed to this legislature by 4 written petition having reference to a restriction upon, or 5 a lessening of, the hours of labor as provided for in said 6 chapter three hundred and fifty of the public laws of the 7 state of Maine for the year nineteen hundred and fifteen; 8 and this legislature, by way of recommendation as provided 9 in article thirty-one of the constitution of the state of Maine, 10 recommends that there be no change in the hours of labor 11 or the conditions of labor provided for in said chapter three 12 hundred and fifty of the public laws of the state of Maine 13 for the year nineteen hundred and fifteen except as herein 14 contained.