

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# EIGHTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

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**H. P. No. 767**

**H. D. No. 183**

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House of Representatives, Feb. 18, 1925.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Oakes of Portland.

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## STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT Increasing the Jurisdiction of Constables in Cities  
of Over Thirty-five Thousand Inhabitants.

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

Section fifty-five of chapter eighty-five, is hereby amended  
2 by adding after the words "one hundred dollars" in the  
3 fifth line thereof the following, 'and in cities of more than  
4 thirty-five thousand inhabitants when the damage claimed  
5 does not exceed two hundred dollars,' and said section when  
6 amended shall read:

'Sect. 55. *Constables may serve precepts; bond.* A con-  
2 stable may serve, execute and return, upon any person in  
3 his town, or in any adjoining plantation, any writ of forcible

4 entry and detainer, or any precept in a personal action,  
5 when the damage claimed does not exceed one hundred  
6 dollars, and in cities of more than thirty-five thousand in-  
7 habitants when the damage claimed does not exceed two  
8 hundred dollars, including those in which a town, planta-  
9 tion, parish, religious society or school district, of which  
10 he is a member, is a party or interested; but before he  
11 serves any process, he shall give bond to the inhabitants  
12 of his town in the sum of five hundred dollars, with two  
13 sureties, approved by the municipal officers thereof, who  
14 shall indorse their approval on said bond in their own hands,  
15 for the faithful performance of the duties of his office, as  
16 to all processes by him served or executed; and for every  
17 process that he serves before giving such bond, he forfeits  
18 not less than twenty, nor more than fifty dollars, to the  
19 prosecutor.'