

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

S. P. No. 11

S. D. No. 322

In Senate, April 7, 1925.

Reported by Mr. Hinckley from Committee on Judiciary and
laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Smith of Somerset.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend Section Sixty-seven of Chapter One Hun-
dred and Forty-two of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by
Chapter Twelve of the Public Laws of 1921, Relating to
Inmates Escaping from the Reformatory for Women.

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

Section sixty-seven of chapter one hundred and forty-two
2 of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter twelve of the
3 public laws of nineteen hundred twenty-one, is hereby
4 further amended by adding after the word "by" in the
5 twenty-fourth line the word 'additional'; by striking out the
6 words "to commence at the expiration of the term for which
7 she was originally committed," in the twenty-fifth and

8 twenty-sixth lines, and by adding after the word "year" in
9 the twenty-fifth line the words 'for each such offense,' so that
10 said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 67. Whoever advises, induces, aids or abets any
2 woman committed to said reformatory or to the charge or
3 guardianship of said trustees to escape from the reforma-
4 tory, or from the custody of any person to whom such
5 women has been entrusted by said trustees or by their au-
6 thority, or knowingly harbors or secretes any woman who
7 has escaped from said reformatory, or from the custody,
8 authority or control of said trustees, or from any person to
9 whom such woman has been entrusted by said trustees or
10 by their authority, or elopes with any such woman, or with-
11 out the consent of said trustees marries any such woman
12 during the term of her commitment, shall be fined not more
13 than five hundred, nor less than one hundred dollars, or
14 be imprisoned not exceeding one year; and any woman who
15 has so escaped may, whether the limit of her original sen-
16 tence shall have expired or not, be arrested and detained,
17 without warrant, by any officer authorized to serve criminal
18 precepts, for a reasonable time to enable the superintendent
19 or a trustee of said reformatory, or a person authorized in
20 writing by such superintendent or trustee and provided with
21 the mittimus by which such woman was committed, or a
22 certified copy thereof, to take such woman for the purpose
23 of returning her to said reformatory; but during such de-
24 tention she shall not be committed to jail, and the officer

25 arresting her shall be paid by the state a reasonable com-
26 pensation for her arrest and keeping. Any woman lawfully
27 committed to said reformatory who escapes therefrom, or
28 who violates the condition of any permit by which she may
29 have been allowed to be at liberty under the preceding sec-
30 tion, shall be punished by additional imprisonment in said
31 reformatory for not exceeding one year for each such of-
32 fense. Prosecution under this section may be instituted in
33 any county in which said woman may be arrested or in the
34 county of Somerset, but in such case the costs and expense
35 of trial shall be paid by the county from which said woman
36 was originally committed, and payment enforced as pro-
37 vided in section sixty-eight of this chapter.'