

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

Senate Document

No. 194

S. P. 485

In Senate, Feb. 20, 1929.

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Page of Somerset.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to Administration upon Estates of Persons
Who Have Disappeared and Not Been Heard from for a
Period of at Least Seven Years from the Date of Disappear-
ance.

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

If a person entitled to, or having an interest in personal
2 property within the jurisdiction of this state, has disap-
3 peared from the place within this state where he was last
4 known to be, or reside, and his disappearance is followed
5 by a continued absence for a period of not less than seven
6 years from the date of disappearance, during which period
7 he is unheard from; and a petition is made to the probate

8 court in the county in which said person last resided, or
9 left said property of the value of at least twenty dollars,
10 which petition shall allege the disappearance, continued ab-
11 sence and presumption of the death of said person, and re-
12 quest the allowance of the will of said person, if he left one,
13 or the appointment of an administrator, if he is alleged to
14 have died intestate: and the said probate court, after notice
15 and hearing thereon, shall issue letters testamentary or of
16 administration upon his estate; then any payment due the
17 estate of said person made to the executor or administrator
18 thereof, after demand in writing, shall be valid, and the
19 receipt or release given by said executor or administrator
20 shall be a bar to any further or other action therefor.