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CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk. Presented by Mrs. Morey of Lewiston.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend the Revised Statutes, Relating to False Alarm of Fire.

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

Section I. Section twenty-nine of chapter one hundred and thirty-nine of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the words "fire department" in the third line thereof the following words, to wit, 'either by sounding the alarm of the electrically operated fire alarm system or by means of any telephone call'; and by striking out the words, "not more than fifty dollars" in the fourth line thereof and inserting in place thereof the words, 'not less than twenty dollars nor more than one hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than six months', so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 29. False alarm of fire; penalty. Whoever knowingly and wilfully gives or causes to be given a false alarm of fire in any city, town or village corporation maintaining an organized fire department, either by sounding the alarm of the electrically operated fire alarm system or by means of any telephone call, shall upon conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not less than twenty dollars nor more than one hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than six months. Judges of municipal and police courts and trial justices shall have jurisdiction of all prosecutions under this section.' Sect. 2. So much of section twenty-two of chapter one hundred and twenty-nine of the revised statutes as relates to calling out fire departments and is in conflict with this act is hereby repealed.