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H. P. 672

House of Representatives, February 3, 1937.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Philbrick of Cape Elizabeth.

S T A T E O F M A I N E

I N T H E Y E A R O F O U R L O R D N I N E T E E N H U N D R E D
T H I R T Y - S E V E N

A N A C T R e l a t i n g t o M o t i o n s f o r D i r e c t e d V e r d i c t s .

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

R. S., c. 96, § 59-A, additional. Chapter 96 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding a new section thereto, to be numbered 59-A and to read as follows:

'Sec. 59-A. Judgment may be reserved after motion for a directed verdict. Upon a motion for a directed verdict the court may, in its discretion, reserve judgment and allow the case to go to the jury. After the verdict of the jury but before judgment, the court may set aside such verdict and grant the motion for directed verdict as justice may require, to which ruling exceptions will lie. In the event the exceptions are sustained, the verdict of the jury shall be reinstated and judgment rendered thereon.'