

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Document

No. 307

H. P. 876

House of Representatives, February 4, 1937.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Hinckley of South Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Offenses Against Habitations and Other Buildings.

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

R. S., c. 130, additional. Chapter 130 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto after section 4, the following new sections to be numbered section 4-A and section 4-B and to read as follows:

'Sec. 4-A. Attempt to burn buildings or property. Any person who wilfully and maliciously attempts to set fire to or attempts to burn or to aid, counsel or procure the burning of any of the buildings or property mentioned in the foregoing sections, or who commits any act preliminary thereto, or in furtherance thereof, shall be guilty of attempt to commit arson and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than 1 year nor more than 2 years or by a fine of not more than \$1,000.

'Sec. 4-B. Attempt to burn, defined. The placing or distributing of any flammable, explosive or combustible material or substance, or any device in any building or property mentioned in the foregoing sections in an arrangement or preparation with intent to eventually wilfully and maliciously set fire to or to burn same, or to procure the setting fire to or burning of same shall constitute an attempt to burn such building or property.'