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EIGHTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 124

S. P. 151 In Senate, January 26, 1939. Referred to Committee on Labor. Sent down for concurrence and 500 copies ordered printed.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Hill of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE

AN ACT Amending the Law Relating to the Installation of Pick Clocks in Textile Factories.

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

P. L., 1937, c. 188, amended. Chapter 188 of the public laws of 1937 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Installation of pick clocks; penalty. The occupier or manager of every textile factory shall post in every room where any employees work by the job piece rate, in legible writing or printing, and in sufficient numbers to be easily accessible to such employees, specifications of the character of each kind of work to be done by them and the rate of compensation, whether paid by the pound or by the pick as registered by the pick clock on each loom. Such specifications in the case of weaving rooms shall state the intended and maximum length of a cut or piece, the count per inch of read reed, and the number of picks per inch, width of loom, width of cloth woven in the loom, and the price per eut or piece, or per pound; or, if payment is made per pick or per yard, the price per pick or per yard; pick per inch, and each warp shall bear a designing ticket or mark of identification; and in mills operating looms on piece rate basis, engaged in the weaving of cloth or other textiles, where weavers are not paid on a per hour or day

basis, pick clocks shall be placed on each loom in operation, and each weaver shall be paid according to the number of picks registered on said clock; provided, however, that this act shall not apply to so-called gang looms or the weaving of carpets or elastic webbing. Violation of any provision of this act shall for the 1st offense be punished by a fine of not more than \$50, for the 2nd offense by a fine of not more than \$100, and for a subsequent offense by a fine of not more than \$200 or by imprisonment for not more than 30 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.'