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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Bird of Rockland.

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

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-NINE

**AN ACT Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law Relating to the
Study of Merit Rating.**

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

P. L., 1935, c. 192, § 7, amended. Subsection (c) of section 7 of chapter 192 of public laws of 1935 is hereby amended to read as follows:

‘(c) **Study of merit rating.** (1) The commission shall maintain a separate account for each employer, and shall credit his account with all the contributions which he has paid on his own behalf. But nothing in this act shall be construed to grant any employer or individual in his service prior claims or rights to the amounts paid by him into the fund either on his own behalf or on behalf of such individuals. Benefits paid to an eligible individual shall be charged against the account of his most recent employers **in the individual's base period** against whose accounts the maximum charges hereunder have not previously been made in the inverse chronological order in which the employment of such individual occurred, but the maximum amount so charged against the account of any employer shall not exceed 1/6 of the wages payable to such individual by each such employer for employment which occurs on and after the 1st day of such individual's base period, or \$65 per completed calendar quarter or portion

thereof, whichever is the lesser. The commission shall by general rules prescribe the manner in which benefits shall be charged against the accounts of several employers for whom an individual performed employment during the same week.'