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No. 751

H. P. 1434

House of Representatives, February 11, 1941.

Referred to Committee on Labor. Sent up for concurrence and 750 copies ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Pierce of Bucksport.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Employment of Females.

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

R. S., c. 54, § 24, amended. Section 24 of chapter 54 of the revised statutes, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 24. No female to be employed more than 5 hours continuously; exceptions. No female shall, except in cases of emergency or extraordinary public requirement as provided in section twenty-three, be employed or permitted to work for more than six hours continuously at one time in any establishment or occupation named in sections twenty-one and twenty-three in which three or more such females are employed, without an interval of at least one hour; except that such female may be so employed for not more than six and one half hours continuously at one time if such employment ends not later than half-past one o'clock in the afternoon and if she is then dismissed for the remainder of the day, No employer shall employ a female for a period of more than 5 hours of continuous labor unless such period is broken by a meal period of at least $\frac{1}{2}$ hour but this shall not apply to any telephone exchange where the operator during the night is not required to operate at the switchboard continuously but is able to sleep the major part of the night.'