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No. 1162

S. P. 562

In Senate, April 18, 1941.

Reported by Senator Laughlin of Cumberland from Committee on
Judiciary and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Labor Relations in the State of Maine.

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

R. S., c. 54, § 1, amended. Section 1 of chapter 54 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

‘Sec. 1. Appointment and qualification of state board of arbitration and conciliation; duties; authority to make rules; report. The state board of arbitration and conciliation as heretofore established shall consist of 3 members appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, from time to time upon the expiration of the terms of the several members, for terms of 3 years. One member shall be an employer of labor or selected from some association representing employers of labor, and another shall be an employee or an employee selected from some bona fide trade or labor union and not an employer of labor. Vacancies occurring during a term shall be filled for the unexpired term. The board shall hold a meeting on the 3rd Wednesday of September in each year and shall organize by choosing from its members a chairman and secretary. **Workers shall have full freedom of association, self organization, and designation of representatives of their own choosing, for the purpose of negotiating the terms and conditions of their employment or other mutual aid or protection, free from interference, restraint or coercion of their employers, and**

it shall be the duty of the board to endeavor to settle disputes, strikes, and lockouts between employers and employees. The board shall from time to time make such rules of procedure as it deems necessary, and shall annually, on or before the 1st day of July, make a report to the governor and council, which shall be incorporated in and printed with the biennial report of the department of labor and industry.'