

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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No. 234

S. P. 172

In Senate, February 2, 1943.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Farris of Kennebec.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-THREE

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AN ACT Relating to Procuring or Attempting to Procure Abortion or a  
Miscarriage.

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

R. S., c. 135, § 9, amended. Section 9 of chapter 135 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

‘Sec. 9. Abortion or miscarriage; attempt to procure; penalty; testimony. Every person who provides, supplies, or administers to any woman, or procures any woman to take any medicine, drug, or substance, or uses or employs an instrument or other means whatever, with intent thereby to procure the miscarriage or abortion of such woman, unless the same is necessary to preserve her life, is punishable by imprisonment in the state prison not less than 2 nor more than 5 years, and any person consenting and aiding or assisting shall be liable to like punishment. No testimony of any person given in any proceedings in the prosecution of a violation of this section shall be used as evidence against said person.’