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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Poulin of Rumford.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-FIVE

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**AN ACT to Amend the Workmen's Compensation Act as to Minors  
Illegally Employed, Attorneys' Fees and Waiting Period.**

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 26, § 7, amended.** Section 7 of chapter 26 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph to read as follows:

**'In case of injury to a minor who at the time is employed illegally, the compensation shall be twice what it would be if the employment had been legal; but the employer alone shall be liable for said increased amount of compensation.'**

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 26, § 9, amended.** Section 9 of said chapter 26 is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph to read as follows:

**'Fees of attorneys for services in support of any claim under this act, except as provided in section 41 hereof, shall be subject to the approval of the commission.'**

**Sec. 3. R. S., c. 26, § 10, amended.** Section 10 of said chapter 26 is hereby repealed, and in place thereof is substituted the following:

'Sec. 10. Waiting period; when compensation therefor payable. Compensation shall begin on the 8th day of incapacity unless incapacity continues for a period of 2 weeks or more, in which case compensation shall begin on the 1st day of incapacity.'