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House of Representatives, February 4, 1947.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Allen of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Bribery in Sports.

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

R. S., c. 122, § 5-A, additional. Chapter 122 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 5-A, to read as follows:

‘Sec. 5-A. Bribery and acceptance of bribes by participants of sports; penalty. Whoever gives, promises or offers any valuable thing to any amateur, semi-professional or professional baseball, football or hockey player or boxer, or any player who participates in any amateur, semi-professional or professional game or sport, or any jockey, driver or groom or any person participating in any horse race, including owners of race tracks and their employees, stewards, trainers, judges, starters and special policemen, with intent to influence him to lose or cause to be lost a baseball, football or hockey game, boxing match or a horse race, or any amateur, semi-professional or professional sport or game, in which such player or participant or jockey or driver is taking part or expects to take part, or has any duty or connection therewith, who either being an amateur, semi-professional or professional baseball, football or hockey player, boxer or jockey, driver or groom or participant in any sport or

game solicits or accepts any valuable thing to influence him to lose or cause to be lost a baseball, football or hockey game, boxing match or horse race or any amateur, semi-professional or professional game or sport in which he is taking part, or expects to take part or has any duty or connection therewith, is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not less than 1 year, nor more than 5 years, and by a fine of not more than \$10,000.'