MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the

LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY

at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library

http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied (searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

NINETY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1167

S. P. 547

In Senate, March 2, 1949.

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

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Slocum of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Responsibility of Parents and Guardians for Crimes of Minors.

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

R. S., c. 136, § 38-A, additional. Chapter 136 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 38-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 38-A. Parent or guardian liable for minor's crimes; penalty. The father, or after his decease, the mother, or in the absence of a father or mother, the person having legal custody, shall be responsible for all criminal acts committed by their minor or unemancipated children, residing with them or under their care.

Upon conviction of any such minor, his parent, or the person having legal custody, shall be deemed to be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100 or by imprisonment for not more than 11 months.'