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House of Representatives, February 21, 1951.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Castonguay of Waterville.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-ONE

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AN ACT Relating to Attachment of Wages.

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

R. S., c. 101, § 55, sub-§ VI, amended. Subsection VI of section 55 of chapter 101 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'VI. By reason of any amount due from him to the principal defendant, as wages for his personal labor, or that of his wife or minor children, for a time not exceeding 1 month next preceding the service of the process, and not exceeding ~~\$20~~ \$40 of the amount due and payable to him as wages for his personal labor; and ~~\$10~~ \$20 shall be exempt in all cases; moreover, wages of minor children and of women are not, in any case, subject to trustee process on account of any debt of parent or husband; if, after wages for personal labor or services have been attached and before entry of the writ, the defendant tenders to the plaintiff or to his attorney the whole amount due and recoverable in the action and the fees of the officer for serving the writ, the plaintiff shall recover no costs, except the fees of the officer; and if the defendant is defaulted without an appearance or if he files an offer of judgment on the return day of the writ, and the plaintiff accepts such offer or fails to secure more than the amount

thereof and of the interest thereon from its date, the plaintiff shall recover no costs, except the entry fee and the officers' fees. The trustee shall pay to the defendant the amount exempt from attachment at the same time and in the same manner as if no process had been served.'