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No. 408

S. P. 161

In Senate, February 5, 1957.

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

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Curtis of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Payment of Wages in Logging and Lumbering Operations and Vacation Pay.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 30, § 50, amended. The 1st sentence of section 50 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Every corporation, person or partnership engaged in a manufacturing, mechanical, mining, quarrying, mercantile, restaurant, hotel, summer camp, beauty parlor, amusement, street railway, telegraph or telephone business; in any of the building trades; **in logging or lumbering operations;** upon public works, or in the construction or repair of street railroads, roads, bridges, sewers, gas, water or electric light works, pipes or lines; every incorporated express company or water company; and every steam railroad company or corporation shall pay weekly each employee engaged in his or its business the wages earned by him to within 8 days of the date of such payment; ~~but any.~~ **Any** employee, leaving his or her employment, shall be paid in full on demand at the office of the employer where payrolls are kept and wages are paid, and every county and city shall so pay every employee who is engaged in its business the wages or salary earned by him, unless such mechanic, workman, laborer or employee requests in writing to be paid in a different manner; ~~and every.~~ **Every** town shall so pay each employee in its business if so required by him; ~~but an.~~ **An** employee who is absent from his regular place of labor at a time fixed for payment shall be paid thereafter on demand.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 30, § 50, amended. The last 3 sentences of section 50 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes are hereby amended to read as follows: 'The provisions of this section shall not apply to ~~an employee engaged in cut-~~

ting and hauling logs and lumber, nor the driving of same until it reaches its place of destination for sale or manufacture; nor to an employee of a cooperative corporation or association if he is a stockholder therein unless he requests such corporation to pay him weekly. **The provision for weekly payment of wages shall not apply to an employee engaged in cutting and hauling logs and lumber, nor the driving of the same until it reaches its place of destination for sale or manufacture.** No corporation, contractor, person or partnership shall by a special contract with an employee or by any other means exempt himself or itself from the provisions of this section. **Whenever the terms of employment include provisions for paid vacations, vacation pay on cessation of employment shall have the same status as wages earned.** Whoever violates any of the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$50.'