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Legislative Document

No. 773

H. P. 546

House of Representatives, February 14, 1957.

Referred to Committee on Labor. Sent up for concurrence and 750 copies ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Hanscomb of South Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Employment of Minors.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 30, § 22, amended. Section 22 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 22. Employment of minors under 18 in certain establishments. No minor under 18 years of age shall be employed in, about or in connection with any manufacturing, **processing** or mechanical establishment, **construction activity, woods operation, tree surgery, transportation company,** laundry, dry cleaning establishment or bakery in any capacity that the Commissioner determines to be hazardous, dangerous to their lives or limbs, injurious to morals or where their health will be injured. **Such determinations and declarations by the Commissioner shall become effective 90 days after the date they are adopted. Before any determinations are made, a public hearing shall be held after suitable notice has been published in at least 3 daily newspapers within the State.** The provisions of this section shall not apply to minors in public and approved private schools wherein mechanical equipment is installed and operated primarily for purposes of instruction.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 30, § 23, amended. Section 23 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 335 of the public laws of 1955, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 23. Employment of minors under 16 years of age prohibited in certain establishments. No minor under 16 years of age shall be employed, permitted or suffered to work in, about or in connection with any manufacturing, **processing** or mechanical establishment, **construction activity, woods operation, tree sur-**

gery, transportation company, hotel, rooming house, laundry, dry cleaning establishment, bakery, bowling alley, poolroom, commercial places of amusement, including traveling shows and circuses, or in any theater or moving picture house. The provisions of this section pertaining to theaters shall not apply to minors under 16 years of age who are employed or in training as theatrical actors.'