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No. 389

S. P. 168

In Senate, February 4, 1959.

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

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Thurston of Oxford.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Payments of Bank Accounts of Deceased Persons.

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

R. S., c. 59, § 19-G, sub-§ VI, amended. Subsection VI of section 19-G of chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 380 of the public laws of 1955, is amended to read as follows:

'VI. Payments of accounts of deceased persons. If any depositor shall die, leaving in a **bank, savings bank ~~an~~ or trust company a savings or other** account on which the balance due him shall not exceed \$500, and no executor of his will or administrator of his estate shall be appointed, the **bank, savings bank or trust company** may pay the balance of his or her account to the surviving spouse, next of kin, funeral director or other preferred creditor or creditors who may appear to be entitled thereto. For any payment so made the **bank, savings bank or trust company** shall not be held liable to the decedent's executor or administrator thereafter appointed, unless the payment shall have been made within 6 months after the ~~decedents'~~ **decedent's** death and an action to recover the amount shall have been commenced within one year after the date of the payment.'