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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

## FORTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

## STATE OF MAINE.

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PUBLIC LAWS

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**Chapter 147.**

CHAP. 147.

An act additional to the one hundred and thirteenth chapter of the revised statutes, relating to bonds of poor debtors.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

SECT. 1. Whenever a bond has been taken, or shall hereafter be taken, for the release of a debtor arrested or imprisoned on an execution issued on a judgment in a civil suit, as authorized by the twenty-second section of the one hundred and thirteenth chapter of the revised statutes, the same shall be a valid statute bond, notwithstanding the same has not been, or shall not be, taken in double the sum for which said debtor has been, or shall be, arrested; and if the debtor fails to fulfil the condition of such bond, judgments in any suit thereon, seasonably commenced, shall be rendered in accordance with the thirty-eighth section of said chapter, if the penalty of said bond does not exceed the sum required by said twenty-second section more than five per cent., nor fall short of said sum more than five per cent.

Bond for release of poor debtor valid, though not in double amount for which debtor was arrested.

If condition is broken suit may be maintained thereon.

SECT. 2 This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 7, 1868.

**Chapter 148.**

An act to amend section fourteen of chapter seventy-seven of the revised statutes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

SECT. 1. Section fourteen of chapter seventy-seven of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding the following words: 'But when any of the justices do not sit in a case by reason of interest, or having been counsel, or any disqualifying cause, then the concurrence of a majority of the remaining members of the court shall be sufficient to determine such case.'

R. S., chap. 77, sect. 14, amended.

Less than five justices may determine questions of law in certain cases.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 11, 1868.