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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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Chapter 432

AN ACT Relating to Poor Debtors.

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

R. S., T. 14, § 3552, amended. Section 3552 of Title 14 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding at the end, a new paragraph, as follows:

The sheriff or jailor having such imprisoned debtor in his custody shall, upon the convening of the next session of the nearest District Court, cause the debtor to be taken to the court for examination and hearing and an examination of all process by the judge who shall administer the oath as provided in section 3711, and discharge the debtor if upon such examination and hearing he is entitled thereto, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 505. If, after such hearing and examination, the judge shall determine that the process is in order and that there is no entitlement to the oath on the part of the debtor, he shall be remanded for imprisonment under the existing commitment.

Effective October 1, 1969

Chapter 433

AN ACT to Grant Adult Rights to Persons Twenty Years of Age.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 1, § 72, amended. The first paragraph of section 72 of Title 1 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

The following rules shall be observed in the construction of statutes relating to words and phrases, unless such construction is inconsistent with the plain meaning of the enactment, the context otherwise requires or definitions otherwise provide.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 1, § 72, sub-§ 1, repealed and replaced. Subsection 1 of section 72 of Title 1 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following subsections enacted in place thereof:

1. Adult. "Adult" means a person who has attained the age of 20 years.

1-A. Affirmations. When a person required to be sworn is conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath, he may affirm.