

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**LAWS**  
OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE**

AS PASSED BY THE  
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J.S. McCarthy Co., Inc.  
Augusta, Maine  
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**PUBLIC LAWS**  
OF THE  
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**CHAPTER 778**

H.P. 1828 - L.D. 2422

**AN ACT Relative to Time of Payment Under  
the Maine Labor Law.**

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

26 MRSA §621 is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§621. Time of payment

1. Certain employers; weekly payment required. Every corporation, person or partnership engaged in a manufacturing, mechanical, mining, quarrying, mercantile, restaurant, hotel, summer camp, beauty parlor, amusement, telegraph or telephone business; in any of the building trades; in logging or lumbering operation; upon public works, or in the construction or repair of 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 the employee to within 8 days of the date of that payment; every county and city shall so pay every employee who is engaged in its business the wages or salary earned by him, unless the employee requests in writing to be paid in a different manner. Every town shall so pay each employee in its business if so required by the employee. An employee who is absent from his regular place of employment at a time fixed for payment shall be paid thereafter on demand.

2. All employers; payment of balance of hourly wages. Any employer, regardless of whether enumerated in subsection 1, shall pay to its employee, on or before the employee's next regularly scheduled payday, the balance of the employee's earned hourly wages due to be paid which were not paid on the date normally scheduled for payment of those wages. This subsection shall not be construed to permit nonpayment or withholding of payment of wages when due.

Effective July 25, 1984.

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