

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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THE
REVISED STATUTES

OF THE
STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED OCTOBER 22, 1840;

TO WHICH ARE PREFIXED

THE CONSTITUTIONS

OF THE

United States and of the State of Maine,

AND TO WHICH ARE SUBJOINED THE OTHER

PUBLIC LAWS OF 1840 AND 1841,

WITH AN

APPENDIX.

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1841.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND
FORTY.

AN ACT

FOR REVISING, ARRANGING AND AMENDING THE
PUBLIC LAWS OF THE STATE.

WHEREAS it is expedient that the General Statutes of this State should be revised and arranged under appropriate titles, chapters and sections; that omissions and defects should be supplied and amended; and that the whole should be rendered concise, plain and intelligible—

THEREFORE,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN LEGISLATURE ASSEMBLED, in manner as stated under the several titles and chapters following: that is to say:

SECT. 27. The overseers and master of such town house of correction shall have such compensation for their services, as shall be annually voted by their town.

CHAP. 178.

Compensation of overseers and master. 1825, 297, § 5.

SECT. 28. The overseers shall, from time to time, examine into the prudential concerns and management of such house, and see that the master faithfully discharges his duty.

Duties of the overseers. 1825, 297, § 5.

SECT. 29. Every person, committed to such town house of correction, shall be supplied by the keeper thereof with a suitable quantity of bread and water, or other nourishment, as the overseers may order, while so confined; and all expenses, incurred for commitment and maintenance, exceeding the earnings of the person confined, shall be paid by the parties liable for similar charges, in the case of persons committed to any county house of correction.

Support of the prisoners. 1825, 297, § 5.

SECT. 30. The overseers of any such town house of correction may commit thereto, for a term, not exceeding forty eight hours, any person publicly appearing in a state of intoxication, or in any manner violating the public peace, whenever the safety of the person intoxicated, or the good order of the community require it, for the purpose of security, if necessary, till such person[s] can be conveniently carried before a magistrate and restrained by complaint and warrant in the usual course of criminal prosecutions.

Powers of overseers, to commit persons to such house. 1825, 297, § 4.

SECT. 31. The form of the order for commitment may be in substance as follows: "To A. B., master of the house of correction, in the town of _____; you are hereby required to receive and keep C. D. in the said house of correction for the term of _____ hours, unless sooner discharged by our order.

Form of the order for commitment. 1825, 297, § 4.

E. F., } Overseers of said
G. H., } house of correction."

And it shall be the duty of any sheriff, deputy sheriff, constable or other person, to whom such order shall be given by said overseers, forthwith to apprehend and convey such person to said house of correction, and deliver him to the master thereof, who shall take and keep such person agreeably to the order; the officer, or other person, serving such order, shall be entitled to receive from the town such fees for service and travel, as is allowed for service of warrants.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, October 21, 1840.

This bill, including the several chapters, numbered from one, to seventy six, and from seventy eight, to one hundred and seventy eight, inclusive, having had three several readings, passed to be enacted.

HANNIBAL HAMLIN, *Speaker*.

IN SENATE, October 21, 1840.

This bill, including the several chapters, numbered from one, to seventy six, and from seventy eight, to one hundred and seventy eight, inclusive, having had two several readings, passed to be enacted.

STEPHEN C. FOSTER, *President*.

October 22, 1840. Approved.

JOHN FAIRFIELD.