

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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THE  
REVISED STATUTES

OF THE  
STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED JANUARY 25, 1871;

TO WHICH ARE PREFIXED  
THE CONSTITUTIONS

OF THE  
UNITED STATES AND OF THE STATE OF MAINE:

WITH AN APPENDIX.

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BY AUTHORITY OF THE LEGISLATURE.



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behavior, they shall each be punished by imprisonment not more than CHAP. 124.  
five years, or by fine not exceeding three hundred dollars.

SEC. 6. If an unmarried man commits fornication with an unmar- Fornication.  
R. S. c. 124, § 6.  
ried woman, they shall be punished by imprisonment not more than  
sixty days, and by fine not exceeding one hundred dollars.

#### CONCEALMENT OF BIRTHS AND PROCURING ABORTIONS.

SEC. 7. If any woman is willingly delivered in secret of the Concealment  
by the mother  
of the death of  
illegitimate  
issue, how in-  
dicted, &c.  
R. S. c. 124, § 7.  
57 Me. 30.  
issue of her body, which would be a bastard if born alive, and con-  
ceals the death thereof, so that it is not known whether it was born  
dead, or alive and was murdered, she shall be punished by imprison-  
ment not more than three years, or by fine not exceeding one hun-  
dred dollars; and she may be charged with such offence, and also  
with murder of such child, in the same indictment, and convicted and  
punished for either, according to the verdict of the jury.

SEC. 8. Whoever administers to any woman pregnant with child, Punishment  
for procuring  
or attempting  
to procure  
abortion.  
R. S. c. 124, § 8.  
32 Me. 369.  
33 Me. 48.  
whether such child is quick or not, any medicine, drug, or other sub-  
stance, or uses any instrument or other means, unless the same were  
done as necessary for the preservation of the mother's life, shall be  
punished, if done with intent to destroy such child and thereby it was  
destroyed before birth, by imprisonment not more than five years, or  
by fine not exceeding one thousand dollars; if done with intent to  
procure the miscarriage of such woman, by imprisonment less than  
one year, and by fine not exceeding one thousand dollars.

#### HOUSES OF ILL-FAME.

SEC. 9. Whoever keeps a house of ill-fame, resorted to for the Keeping  
houses of ill-  
fame.  
R. S. c. 124, § 9.  
1868, c. 222.  
purpose of prostitution or lewdness, shall be punished by imprison-  
ment less than one year, and by fine not exceeding five hundred dol-  
lars; and if after conviction he is again guilty and convicted, he shall  
be punished by imprisonment not less than one, nor more than three  
years. The municipal officers and constables of towns and cities, and  
assessors of plantations, are required to promptly enforce the laws of  
the state against such houses, and to make complaint against any per-  
son within their respective municipalities, where there is probable cause  
to believe such person guilty of a violation of this section. A person,  
convicted of keeping such a house, before a municipal or police court  
or trial justice, may be sentenced to the house of correction or  
county jail not exceeding one month. And such person shall not  
be allowed to keep boarders or lodgers without a license from the over-  
seers of the poor of the town, who shall prosecute for such offence  
all, whom they have good reason to suspect to be guilty.

SEC. 10. Whoever fraudulently and deceitfully entices or takes Enticing un-  
married fe-  
males for pur-  
poses of pros-  
titution.  
Enticing fe-  
away an unmarried female from her father's house, or wherever else  
she may be found for the purpose of prostitution at a house of ill-  
fame, assignation or elsewhere, and whoever aids therein, or secretes