

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# Sixty-Second Legislature.

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SENATE.

No. 100.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND  
EIGHTY-FIVE.

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AN ACT to authorize cities and towns to license,  
regulate and restrict the business of Hawkers and  
Peddlers.

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

SECTION 1. Cities and towns in this State are  
2 hereby authorized to license, regulate and restrict  
3 the business of hawkers and peddlers within their  
4 respective limits; and for that purpose may pass  
5 all reasonable ordinances and by-laws, and impose  
6 a penalty of not exceeding fifty dollars, in each  
7 case, for the violation of the same.

SECT. 2. Cities and towns in this State may im-  
2 pose a license fee of not exceeding one hundred

3 dollars for the privilege of carrying on the busi-  
4 ness of a hawker and peddler within their respect-  
5 ive limits. All licenses granted under this act  
6 shall be signed by the municipal officers of the  
7 cities and towns granting the same, and shall ex-  
8 pire on the first Monday of April following the  
9 date of their issuance; and all fees for license  
10 shall be paid to the treasurers of such cities and  
11 towns, who shall countersign all licenses granted  
12 by the same.

SECT. 3. Nothing contained in this act shall be  
2 construed as restraining cities and towns from  
3 prohibiting all hawking and peddling on the  
4 streets and lanes within their respective limits, if  
5 they deem it expedient; nor shall any of its pro-  
6 visions or penalties authorized under the same,  
7 apply to commission merchants and commercial  
8 brokers, travelling from place to place in the State,  
9 and selling or offering to sell, goods by sample, or  
10 otherwise; nor to farmers and market gardeners  
11 selling farm and garden produce, or the products  
12 of the dairy or poultry yard from their wagons;  
13 nor to peddlers of tin or earthen ware; nor to  
14 nurserymen and their agents, soliciting orders for,  
15 and delivering to their customers, fruit, shade and  
16 ornamental trees, shrubs and plants; nor to any

17 citizen of the State, selling meats or fish from a  
18 cart; nor to any person soliciting orders for, or  
19 selling carriages, sleighs or other vehicles, or farm-  
20 ing tools and utensils manufactured in the United  
21 States.

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## MAJORITY REPORT.

The Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of George T. Springer & als., praying that action be taken with reference to pack peddlers, have had the same under consideration, and ask leave to report that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Per Order.

RUFUS P. TAPLEY, *Chairman.*

### MINORITY REPORT.

The minority of the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the petitions of George T. Springer & als., praying that the business of pack peddlers, and other hawkers and peddlers, may be regulated and restricted by legislation, have had the same under consideration, and ask leave to report a bill, which is herewith submitted, entitled "An Act to authorize cities and towns to license, regulate and restrict the business of Hawkers and Peddlers."

Per Order.

F. M. RAY, }  
 HALE, } *for Minority.*

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### STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE CHAMBER, }  
 February 19, 1885. }

Pending acceptance, majority and minority reports laid on table to be printed, with bill accompanying minority report.

C. W. TILDEN, *Secretary.*