

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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OF THE

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SENATE.

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No. 74.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT in relation to Agricultural Fairs to prevent
fraud.

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

SECTION 1. Whoever makes entries of animals
2 or articles, as competitors for premiums or purses
3 offered by any agricultural society, or by any per-
4 son or association in this State, shall be holden to
5 pay the entry fee in accordance with the advertised
6 rules and regulations of any such society, person,
7 or association, not in conflict with the laws of this

8 State; and a lien is hereby created upon such ani-
9 mals and articles for such entry fee to secure pay-
10 ment thereof with costs, to be enforced by an action
11 of debt against the person owning such animals or
12 articles, or the person entering the same; the same
13 to be enforced in the same manner as liens on
14 goods in possession and choses in action, but such
15 lien shall not effect the title of any innocent pur-
16 chaser of said animals or articles without actual
17 notice of such lien.

SECT. 2. Whoever, for the purpose of compet-
2 ing for purses or premiums, knowingly and design-
3 edly enters any horse that shall have been painted
4 or disguised, or that represents any other or differ-
5 ent horse from the one which is purported to be
6 entered, or shall knowingly and designedly, for
7 the purpose of competing for premiums or purses
8 enter a horse in a class to which it does not
9 properly belong, shall be deemed guilty of cheat-
10 ing by false pretences, and shall be punished by a
11 fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by
12 imprisonment not exceeding six months, and
13 such horse shall be forfeited and ordered by the
14 court to be sold—one-half of the net proceeds of
15 such sale shall go to the informant and the other

16 half to the county in which the offence is com-
17 mitted.

SECT. 3. Agricultural societies, persons and
2 associations holding public affairs for competition
3 for premiums or purses, are authorized to conduct
4 and manage the exhibitions in accordance with the
5 advertised rules and regulations, not in conflict with
6 the laws of this State.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, February 12, 1891.

Reported by Mr. HAINES from Committee on Legal Affairs, and laid
on table to be printed under joint rules.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, *Secretary.*