

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 424

House of Representatives, March 15, 1919.

On motion of Mr. Bean of Minot 500 copies ordered printed.

On motion of Mr. Maher of Augusta, tabled pending reference to a committee.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Washburn of Perry.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND
NINE HUNDRED AND NINETEEN

AN ACT to Legalize the Preparation and Sale of Standardized
Milk.

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

Section three of chapter one hundred thirty of the
2 revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the
3 period at the end of said section and adding thereto the fol-
4 lowing: 'and milk which contains a minimum percentage of
5 3.25 per cent of milk-fat and a minimum percentage of 11.75
6 per cent solids shall not be deemed adulterated milk under
7 the provisions of this section, or of chapter thirty-six of the
8 revised statutes, provided that upon every bottle, can or

9 container in which milk, other than as drawn from the cow,
10 is offered or exposed for sale, conveyed or transported within
11 this state, the words "standardized milk" and the minimum
12 percentage of milk-fat contained in the said milk shall be
13 stamped, printed or marked plainly and conspicuously on
14 the outside thereof," so that said section as amended shall
15 read as follows:

'Sect. 3. Sale of impure or adulterated milk or cream, for-
2 bidden; standard milk; skimmed milk excepted. R. S. c.
3 129, Par. 3. 1905, c. 40. 1909, c. 144. 1911, c. 96. Who-
4 ever by himself, clerk, servant or agent, sells, exchanges or
5 delivers, or has in his custody or possession with intent to
6 sell, exchange or deliver, or exposes or offers for sale or
7 exchange milk which is not of good standard quality, adul-
8 terated milk or milk to which water or any foreign substance
9 has been added, or milk produced from sick or diseased cows,
10 or milk in or from cans or other utensils that are not in a
11 clean or sanitary condition, or as pure milk, milk from which
12 the cream or a part thereof has been removed; and whoever
13 by himself, clerk, servant or agent, sells, exchanges or de-
14 livers, or has in his custody with intent to sell, exchange or
15 deliver, cream containing less than eighteen per cent of milk
16 fat, shall for the first offense be punished by a fine not ex-
17 ceeding fifty dollars, for a second offense by a fine of not less
18 than fifty, nor more than one hundred dollars and for a sub-
19 sequent offense by a fine of one hundred dollars and by im-
20 prisonment for not less than thirty, nor more than sixty days.

21 And in prosecution hereunder milk, which upon analysis is
22 shown to contain less than eleven and seventy-five hun-
23 dredths per cent of milk solids or less than three and
24 twenty-five hundredths per cent of fat shall not be considered
25 milk of good standard quality. Nothing in this section shall
26 be construed to prohibit the sale of skimmed milk as such,
27 and milk which contains a minimum percentage of 3.25 per
28 cent of milk-fat and a minimum percentage of 11.75 per cent
29 solids shall not be deemed adulterated milk under the pro-
30 visions of this section, or of chapter thirty-six of the revised
31 statutes, provided that upon every bottle, can or container in
32 which milk other than as drawn from the cow is offered or
33 exposed for sale, conveyed or transported within this state
34 the words "standardized milk" and the minimum percentage
35 of milk-fat contained in the said milk shall be stamped,
36 printed or marked plainly and conspicuously on the outside
37 thereof.'