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House of Representatives, February 6, 1941.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs and sent up for concurrence.  
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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mrs. Grady of Whitefield.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-ONE

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AN ACT Relating to Public Exhibitions

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

**R. S., c. 37, § 2, amended.** Section 2 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 180 of the public laws of 1939, is hereby further amended to read as follows :

**‘Sec. 2. Licenses; fees; prosecutions; traveling circuses or traveling amusement shows required to obtain state license; penalty.** The municipal officers of towns may grant licenses for any of the foregoing exhibitions or performances therein, on receiving for their town such sum as they deem proper; 24 hours or more being allowed for such exhibitions or performances as they may determine; and they shall prosecute, by complaint for the use of their town, all violations of the preceding section. No traveling circuses or traveling amusement show shall ~~advertise or~~ exhibit any parade, show, or entertainment in this state without first paying a state license of \$500 in the case of a circus and \$25 in the case of amusement shows for each calendar year. Application for such license shall be made to the state tax assessor and shall contain the name of the person or corporation owning or operating said traveling circus or said traveling amusement show and a statement of the proposed territory

within the limits of said state and the names of the cities and towns in which said traveling circus or said traveling amusement show is to exhibit. Upon the payment of the sum of \$500 or \$25 as the case may be, a license shall issue.

The ~~advertising and~~ exhibiting of any parade, show, or entertainment of any traveling circus or traveling amusement show without first taking out such license shall be deemed a misdemeanor, and the person, persons, firm, or corporation owning or controlling such traveling circus or traveling amusement show, or the manager or officer in charge thereof within the state shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000.

Municipal and superior courts in the counties where such traveling circus or traveling amusement show advertises and exhibits or parades shall have jurisdiction over said offense.'