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H. P. 1440

House of Representatives, February 11, 1941.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and 750 copies ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Payson of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Municipal Ordinances.

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

R. S., c. 5, § 136, VIII, amended. Paragraph VIII of section 136 of chapter 5 of the revised statutes, as enacted by chapter 137 of the public laws of 1939, is hereby amended to read as follows:

‘VIII. Relating to the design, materials of construction, construction, alteration, maintenance, repair and use of buildings and structures or parts thereof; provision of light, ventilation and toilet facilities in new buildings and in connection with alterations of and additions to existing buildings; installation, alteration, maintenance, repair and use of all equipment in or on or in connection with buildings or structures; **duties of the inspector of buildings and issuance of permits or licenses in connection with all of the above operations**; all to promote the health, safety and general welfare of the occupants and users of such buildings or structures and of the public, and for protection against catching and spreading of fires and prevention of accidents; and any building or structure or part thereof, constructed, altered, maintained, repaired or used, and any equipment therein, thereon, or in connection therewith, installed, altered, maintained, repaired or used contrary to a by-law or ordinance adopted under this authorization is a

nuisance; provided it shall be the duty of the inspector of buildings to withhold permit for any of the above operations in violation of any by-law or ordinance enacted hereunder, and appeal shall lie from the decision of the inspector of buildings to the municipal officers and from said municipal officers to the superior court according to the provisions of section 20 of chapter 27; and provided further that said municipal officers shall have the power to hear and determine appeals from the refusal of such permits and to permit exceptions to or variations from the terms of such by-law or ordinance in the class of cases or situations and in accordance with the principles, conditions and procedure specified in such by-law or ordinance.'