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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Adulterated Meat or Meat Products.

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

R. S., c. 27, § 168, sub-§ VI-A, amended. Subsection VI-A of section 168 of chapter 27 of the revised statutes, as enacted by chapter 220 of the public laws of 1951, is hereby amended to read as follows:

‘VI-A. In case of meat or meat products:

If any sodium sulphite, sodium bisulphite, or any drug, chemical, chemical compound or preservative from which sulphur dioxide can be liberated has been added thereto or mixed therewith; **except that 1/10 of 1% of sodium sulphite may be used in preground hamburger and such hamburger shall be deemed not to be adulterated provided such hamburger is sold under the following conditions:**

A. Any person, firm, partnership or corporation selling or offering for sale such hamburger shall first file with the commissioner an application for a license therefor accompanied with a fee of \$100; and, upon receipt of such application and fee, the commissioner shall issue such license, which shall expire on December 31st of each year, unless sooner revoked as herein provided in this subsection;

B. Such hamburger shall not be sold for resale unless it is sold in con-

tainers on which shall be conspicuously displayed a notice stating that such chemical has been added to the hamburg contained therein;

C. Such hamburg shall not be sold at retail unless there is conspicuously displayed near the counter or display case where such hamburg is sold a notice stating that such chemical has been added to such hamburg;

D. Such chemical shall be added only to hamburg which has been ground from fresh meat;

E. Such license shall be revoked by the commissioner for violation of any of the conditions contained in this subsection; and anyone violating the provisions of this subsection shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500.'