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THE  
**REVISED STATUTES**

OF THE  
STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED OCTOBER 22, 1840;

TO WHICH ARE PREFIXED

**THE CONSTITUTIONS**

OF THE

*United States and of the State of Maine,*

AND TO WHICH ARE SUBJOINED THE OTHER

PUBLIC LAWS OF 1840 AND 1841,

WITH AN

**APPENDIX.**

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## CHAPTER 57.

## OF EXPORTATION OF FLAX SEED.

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1821, 155, § 4.

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SECTION. 1. The several surveyors and inspectors of flax seed, who have been appointed in the seaport towns of this state, shall continue therein, according to the tenor of their appointments.

SECT. 2. When a vacancy shall occur in the office of any such surveyor and inspector, the governor, with consent of the council, may appoint a skilful and disinterested person to supply the vacancy, who shall be duly sworn.

SECT. 3. It shall be the duty of all such surveyors and inspectors, to inspect and survey all flax seed, intended to be laden on board any vessel, for foreign exportation; they shall open the casks, containing the same, and, if necessary, measure and shift the same into other casks, so as to examine the whole, to ascertain that it is clean and unmixed with other seed.

SECT. 4. Every cask, containing the measure hereinafter mentioned, of cleansed seed, he shall mark with a burning iron, and imprint thereon with it the mark, *Insp.* with the name of the town, where inspected and approved; the name of the surveyor, at large, and the letter, S. at the end thereof.

SECT. 5. No flax seed shall be exported from this state, to any port or place without the United States, but such as shall have been surveyed and well cleansed, and in casks, each containing seven bushels and one peck, or in casks, containing each one half of said quantity.

SECT. 6. No vessel, on board of which any flax seed shall be shipped for exportation, shall be cleared out at the custom house, till the master, or owner, thereof shall produce a certificate from such surveyor or inspector, as above described, that such flax seed has been surveyed and inspected, according to the provisions of this chapter; which certificate shall be granted without any fee.

SECT. 7. If the owner of any flax seed, or his agent, shall lade on board any vessel, or the master, or any mariner, of any vessel shall receive on board, any flax seed, not surveyed and inspected as this chapter requires, for the purpose of such exportation, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of twenty dollars for each bushel, so shipped.

SECT. 8. All such flax seed, so laden or received, shall be forfeited, and may be seized, libeled and sold in the manner pointed out, by law, respecting the forfeiture of any personal property.

SECT. 9. If, after any cask or vessel containing flax seed, has been approved and stamped, as before directed, any person shall shift the contents of such cask, and put therein any flax seed,

which has not been surveyed and approved, he shall forfeit and pay CHAP. 57.  
the sum of thirty dollars for each cask, so shifted.

SECT. 10. If any such surveyor or inspector shall be guilty of any neglect or fraud, in surveying and inspecting any flax seed, or, in any other particular, neglect, or violate his duty and the provisions of this chapter, he shall forfeit the sum of thirty dollars, for every such neglect or offence. For misconduct of inspector. 1821, 155, § 6.

SECT. 11. The above mentioned penalties, when recovered, shall be, one half to the use of the state, and the other half to the use of him, who shall sue for the same. Appropriation of penalties. 1821, 155, § 7.

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SECTION 1. The inspectors of hops, in the several counties of the state, and their respective deputies, shall continue to hold their offices, according to the terms of their respective appointments. Inspectors to remain in office. 1836, 202, § 1.

SECT. 2. When a vacancy shall occur, in the office of an inspector of hops in any county, it shall be the duty of the governor, with advice of the council, to appoint a suitable person, to supply the vacancy; who shall be removable at the pleasure of the executive. Vacancies to be filled by the governor. 1836, 202, § 1.

SECT. 3. Before entering on the duties of his office, he shall be duly sworn, and shall give bond to the state treasurer with sufficient sureties, in the sum of five hundred dollars, for the faithful discharge of the duties of his said office. Oath and bond. 1836, 202, § 1.

SECT. 4. Each inspector may appoint deputy inspectors in his county, for whom he shall be answerable, and from whom he may require sufficient bonds, for the faithful discharge of their duty; and they shall be duly sworn. Deputies. 1836, 202, § 1.

SECT. 5. Hops shall not be deemed merchantable, unless they have been picked well, and free from stems and leaves, and dried in a kiln, with a charcoal fire; and the bales or *packets*, [pockets], in which they are packed, shall be firm and strong, and of such a texture, as to receive the marks of the cultivator and inspector; and each bale or *packet* shall be marked with the name of the cultivator, and of the town, in which he lives. What hops deemed merchantable. 1821, 152, § 3.

SECT. 6. The inspector, or one of his deputies, shall examine Manner of in-