

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIFTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

No. 11.

STATE OF MAINE.

The Joint Select Committee on Prohibitory Law, to which was referred the bill entitled "an act relating to the duties of sheriffs and county attorneys," also the bill entitled "an act to amend section twenty-five of chapter twenty-seven of the Revised Statutes relating to the sale of cider," have had the same under consideration, and ask leave to report that the same be printed and recommitted.

Per order.

S. T. HINKS.

IN SENATE, January 20, 1872.

Read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
January 23, 1872. }

Read and concurred.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-TWO.

AN ACT relating to the duties of sheriffs and county attorneys.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of sheriffs to obey
2 all such orders and directions, relating to the enforce-
3 ment and execution of the laws of the state, as they
4 shall from time to time receive from the governor.

SECT. 2. It shall be the duty of sheriffs diligently
2 and faithfully to inquire into all violations of the laws
3 of the state within their respective counties, and to
4 institute legal proceedings against violators or sup-
5 posed violators of law, and particularly the laws
6 against the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors and the
7 keeping of drinking houses and tippling shops, gamb-
8 ling houses or places, and houses of ill-fame, either by
9 promptly entering a complaint before a magistrate
10 competent to examine or try the offence charged and
11 execute such warrants as may be issued on such com-

12 plaint, or by furnishing the county attorney promptly
13 and without delay, with the names of alleged offenders
14 and of the witnesses. For services under the provis-
15 ions of this law, sheriffs and their deputies acting
16 under their directions, shall be entitled to the same
17 per diem compensation as for attendance on the
18 supreme judicial court, and the same fees for travel,
19 as for the service of warrants in criminal cases,
20 together with such necessary incidental expenses as
21 may be just and proper; bills for which shall be
22 audited by the county commissioners and paid from
23 the county treasury.

SECT. 3. County attorneys shall cause to be sum-
2 moned promptly before the grand jury of their several
3 counties, all witnesses whose names have been fur-
4 nished them by any sheriff or his deputies, as provided
5 in section two of this act, and shall faithfully direct
6 inquiries before that body into violations of law, and
7 shall prosecute persons indicted, and secure the prompt
8 sentence of such as shall be convicted.

SECT. 4. Whenever the governor shall, after inves-
2 tigation, be satisfied that any sheriff or county attor-
3 ney has wilfully refused or neglected to discharge the
4 duties imposed upon each by this act, it shall be his
5 duty to bring such fact to the attention of the legisla-
6 ture at the earliest practical day.

AN ACT to amend section twenty-five of chapter twenty-seven of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of cider.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :

SECTION 1. Section twenty-five of chapter twenty
2 seven of the revised statutes shall be amended in line
3 two by adding after the word " sale " the words " by
4 said manufacturer," and striking out the words " in
5 any case," so that the section, as amended, will read
6 as follows :

7 *Sect. 25.* The provisions of this chapter shall not
8 extend to the manufacture and sale by said manufac-
9 turer of unadulterated cider, nor to wine made from
10 fruit grown in this state, nor to the sale by agents
11 appointed under the provisions of this chapter of pure
12 wine for sacramental and medicinal purposes.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect from and after
2 its approval by the governor.