## MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## FIFTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 144.

## STATE OF MAINE:

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

AN ACT to provide public scales for weighing coal.

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

SECTION 1. Each city and town in this state,

- 2 having not less than five thousand inhabitants,
- 3 shall have one or more public scales for weighing
- 4 anthracite coal, and all other coal which is sold by
- 5 weight.
  - Sect. 2. The selectmen of towns, and the mayor
- 2 of each city, by and with the advice and consent
- 3 of the aldermen, shall annually appoint in the
- 4 month of March, one or more persons, who shall be
- 5 public weighers of all coal sold in their city or 6 town.
  - SECT. 3. Said weighers shall be sworn and paid

- 2 such salary from the city or town treasury as said
- 3 municipal officers may deem just.
  - SECT. 4. Said weighers may collect of the ven-
- 2 ders of coal, ten cents per ton for weighing the
- 3 same, which shall be paid into the town or city
- 4 treasury.
- Sect. 5. Any person who shall sell coal not
- 2 weighed by said public weigher, shall forfeit an
- 3 amount equal to the value of said coal so sold;
- 4 and all forfeitures under this act, may be recovered
- 5 before any competent tribunal by complaint, indict-
- 6 ment or action of debt; and all penalties recovered
- 7 or imposed shall be for the benefit of the town or
- 8 city where the unlawful sale of coal is made.

## STATE OF MAINE.

In House of Representatives, February 19, 1879.

Introduced by Mr. PICKARD of Bangor, and on his motion ordered printed.

B. L. STAPLES, Clerk.