

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE.

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HOUSE.

No. 115.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND  
EIGHTY-THREE.

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AN ACT concerning offences against the public  
health.

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

SECTION 1. Section one, chapter one hundred  
2 and twenty-eight of the revised statutes, is hereby  
3 amended by striking out all after the word dollars.  
4 in the seventh line, and adding the following: "and  
5 whoever kills, or causes to be killed, for the pur-  
6 pose of sale, any calf less than four weeks old, or  
7 knowingly sells, or has in possession with intent to  
8 sell, the meat of any calf killed when less than four  
9 weeks old, or whoever purchases any calf under  
10 four weeks old, except it be for the purpose of  
11 raising, shall be punished by imprisonment in the

12 jail or house of correction not exceeding thirty  
13 days, or by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars, or by  
14 both such imprisonment and fine, and all such  
15 meat exposed for sale, or kept with intent to make  
16 sale thereof, may be seized and destroyed by any  
17 board of health, or health officer, or by any sheriff  
18 or deputy sheriff, constable or police officer," so  
19 that said section will read as follows:

20 Whoever sells any diseased, corrupted or un-  
21 wholesome provision for food or drink, knowing it  
22 to be such without informing the buyer, or fraud-  
23 ulently adulterates for the purpose of sale, any  
24 substance intended for food, or any wine, spirits or  
25 other liquors intended for drink, so as to render  
26 them injurious to health, shall be punished by im-  
27 prisonment not more than five years, or by fine not  
28 exceeding one thousand dollars; and whoever kills  
29 or causes to be killed for the purpose of sale, any  
30 calf less than four weeks old, or knowingly sells,  
31 or has in possession with intent to sell, the meat of  
32 any calf killed when less than four weeks old, or  
33 whoever purchases any calf under four weeks old,  
34 except it be for the purpose of raising, shall be  
35 punished by imprisonment in the jail or house of cor-  
36 rection, not exceeding thirty days, or by a fine not

37 exceeding fifty dollars, or by both such imprison-  
38 ment and fine, and all such meat exposed for sale,  
39 or kept with intent to make sale thereof, may be  
40 seized and destroyed by any board of health, or  
41 health officer, or any sheriff, or deputy sheriff, con-  
42 stable or police officer.

SECT. 2. When complaint is made on oath to  
2 any court or justice authorized to issue warrants  
3 in criminal cases, such court or justice when satis-  
4 fied that there is reasonable cause for such belief,  
5 may issue a search warrant to search for the meat of  
6 calves killed when less than four weeks old, such  
7 meat being kept or concealed with intent to sell or  
8 offer the same for sale.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect when ap-  
2 proved.

STATE OF MAINE.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
February 22, 1883. }

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F. L. PATTEN, *Clerk pro tem.*