

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Sixth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 118.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend Section 44 of Chapter 27 of the Revised
Statutes as Re-enacted by Chapter 140, Public Laws of
1887, relating to Confiscated Liquors.

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

SECTION 1. Section 44 of the Revised Statutes is here-
2 by amended so as to read as follows:

‘Section 44. All spirituous and distilled liquors and all
4 other liquors declared forfeited by any court under this
5 chapter, which shall have been found by said court to
6 contain more than 20 per cent. of alcohol, shall, by order
7 of the court rendering final judgment thereon, be turned
8 over to the sheriff of the county where such seizure was
9 made, by any officer competent to serve the process on

10 which they were forfeited and he shall make return
11 accordingly to said court; and said sheriff shall receipt
12 to said officer therefor; said sheriff shall mingle said
13 liquors together and as soon as he has accumulated a
14 quantity equal to five barrels, he shall ship the same to
15 some responsible rectifying distiller outside of this State
16 and have the alcohol re-distilled therefrom, as is herein-
17 after provided. Said sheriffs shall annually contract with
18 some responsible rectifying distiller outside the limits of
19 this State to take such liquors and distill the alcohol
20 therefrom and to account for and pay over to the treas-
21 urer of the county from which said liquors are received,
22 in cash, at an agreed price for each gallon of 100° strength
23 determined by the United States Internal Revenue
24 Inspector at place of rectification. Before delivering
25 any liquor under the aforesaid contract, the said sheriff
26 shall take a bond, with sureties residing in this State,
27 and to be approved by the treasurer of the county, from
28 said rectifying distiller to the treasurer of his county in
29 the penal sum of one thousand dollars, conditioned that
30 all of said liquors so received under said contract, shall
31 be rectified and the alcohol distilled therefrom, and that
32 the contractor will account for and pay over to the treas-
33 urer of said county from which said liquors are received,
34 in cash, the amount due under said contract. In all suits
35 upon bonds given under this section, the damages shall
36 be the full penal sum of said bond.

For all services in connection herewith the said sheriff
38 shall receive from the county treasurer five per cent of
39 the net amount received from said contractor.

All other liquors declared forfeited by any court under
41 this chapter, shall, by order of the court rendering final
42 judgment thereon, be destroyed by any officer competent
43 to serve the process on which they were forfeited, and he
44 shall make return accordingly to said court. Such liquors
45 shall be destroyed by pouring them upon the ground.
46 Vessels forfeited may be sold by said officers at public or
47 private sale, and the proceeds thereof paid into the treas-
48 ury of such city, town or plantation.'

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 15, 1893. }

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Affairs, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*