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## Sixty-Sixth Legislature.

SENATE.

No. 153.

### STATE OF MAINE.

## AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE DOCUMENT No. 176.

#### AMENDMENT "A."

Amend section 1, by inserting after the word "shipper"

- 2 in the ninth line of said section the words 'the place of
- 3 manufacture,' so that this section when amended shall read
- 4 as follows:
  - 'Section 1. Every manufacturer, company or person
- 6 who shall sell, offer or expose for sale in this State any
- 7 commercial fertilizer or any material used for fertilizing
- 8 purposes the price of which exceeds ten dollars per ton,
- 9 shall affix to every package of such fertilizer in a conspic-
- 10 uous place on the outside thereof, a plainly printed state-
- 11 ment clearly and truly certifying the number of net
- 12 pounds in the package sold or offered for sale, the name
- 13 or trade mark under which the article is sold, the name

- 14 of the manufacturer or shipper, the place of manufacture,
- 15 the place of business and a chemical analysis stating the
- 16 percentage of nitrogen, or its equivalent in ammonia in
- 17 available form, of potash soluble in water, and of phos-
- 18 phoric acid in available form soluble and reverted as well
- 19 as the total phosphoric acid.'

#### AMENDMENT "B."

Amend section four, by striking out the word "ten," in

- 2 the fifth line of said section, and inserting in place
- 3 thereof the word 'five;' also by striking out the word
- 4 "fifteen," in the eighth line, and inserting in place
- 5 thereof the word 'thirty,' so that said section as amended
- 6 shall read as follows:

'Section 4. Any manufacturer, importer, agent or sel-

- 8 ler of any commercial fertilizer, who shall deposit with
- 9 the director of the Maine Experiment Station a sample or
- 10 samples of fertilizer, under the provisions of section two
- 11 of this act, shall pay annually to said director an analysis
- 12 fee as follows: five dollars for the phosphoric acid and
- 13 five dollars each for the nitrogen and potash contained, or
- 14 said to be contained in the fertilizer, this fee to be
- 15 assessed on any brand of which thirty tons or more are
- 16 sold in the State, and upon receipt of such fee, and of the
- 17 certified statement named in section two of this act, said
- 18 director shall issue a certificate of compliance with this
- 19 act. Whenever the manufacturer or importer of a fertil-
- 20 izer shall have filed the statement made in section two of
- 21 this act, and paid the analysis fee, no agent or seller of
- 22 said manufacturer, importer or shipper, shall be required
- 23 to file such statement or pay such fee. The analysis fees

- 24 received by said director shall be paid immediately by
- 25 him into the treasury of said experiment station.'

#### AMENDMENT "C."

Amend section six by inserting after the word "author-

- 2 ized," in the fourth line of said section, the words 'and
- 3 directed; also by inserting after the word "for" in the
- 4 sixth line of said section the word 'said,' so that
- 5 this section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Section 6. The director of the Maine Experiment

- 7 Station shall annually analyze, or caused to be analyzed,
- 8 at least one sample of every fertilizer sold or offered for
- 9 sale under the provisions of this act. Said director is
- 10 hereby authorized and directed, in person or by deputy,
- 11 to take a sample, not exceeding two pounds in weight,
- 12 for said analysis, from any lot or package of fertilizer or
- 13 any material used for manurial purposes which may
- 14 be in the possession of any manufacture, importer,
- 15 agent or dealer in this State; but said sample
- 16 shall be drawn in the presence of said party or
- 17 parties in interest, or their representative, and taken
- 18 from a parcel or a number of packages which
- 19 shall not be less than ten per cent of the whole lot
- 20 sampled, and shall be thoroughly mixed and then divided
- 21 into two equal samples and placed in glass vessels and
- 22 carefully sealed and a label placed on each, stating the
- 23 name or brand of the fertilizer or material sampled, the
- 24 name of the party from whose stock the sample was
- 25 drawn and the time and place of drawing, and said label
- 26 shall also be signed by the director or his deputy and by
- 27 the party or parties in interest or their representatives at

the drawing and sealing of said samples; one of said duplicates samples shall be retained by the director and the other by the party whose stock was sampled; and the sample or samples retained by the director shall be for comparison with the certified statement named in section two of this act. The result of analysis of the sample or samples so procured shall be reported to the person or persons requesting the analysis and shall also be published in a report or bulletin within a reasonable time.'

#### STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, March 10, 1893.

Offered by Mr. WIGGIN of Aroostook, and pending adoption, laid on table to be printed on motion by same Senator.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, Secretary.