

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Seventh Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 12.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to regulate the sale of Goods marked "Sterling,"
"Sterling Silver," "Coin," or "Coin Silver."

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

SECTION 1. A person who makes or sells, or offers to
2 sell or dispose of, or has in his possession with intent to
3 sell or dispose of, any article of merchandise marked,
4 stamped or branded with the words "sterling," or "ster-
5 ling silver," or encased or inclosed in any box, package,
6 cover or wrapper or other thing in or by which the said
7 article is packed, inclosed or otherwise prepared for sale
8 or disposition, having thereon any engraving or printed
9 label, stamp, imprint, mark or trade-mark, indicating or

10 denoting by such marking, stamping, branding, engraving
11 or printing, that such article is silver, sterling silver, or
12 solid silver, unless nine hundred and twenty-five one-thou-
13 sandths of the component parts of the metal of which the
14 said article is manufactured are pure silver, shall be deemed
15 guilty of a misdemeanor.

SECT. 2. A person who makes or sells, or offers to sell
2 or dispose of, or has in his possession with intent to sell
3 or dispose of, any article of merchandise marked, stamped
4 or branded with the words "coin," or "coin silver," or
5 encased or inclosed in any box, package, cover or wrapper
6 or other thing in or by which the said article is packed,
7 inclosed or otherwise prepared for sale or disposition,
8 having thereon any engraving or printed label, stamp,
9 imprint, mark or trade-mark, indicating or denoting by
10 such marking, stamping, branding, engraving or printing,
11 that such article is coin or coin silver, unless nine hundred
12 one-thousandths of the component parts of the metal of
13 which the said article is manufactured are pure silver,
14 shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

SECT. 3. Whoever violates the provisions of either of
2 the preceding sections shall forfeit a sum not exceeding one
3 hundred dollars for each offence, the same to be recovered
4 on complaint before any trial justice, police or municipal
5 court in the country in which said offence is committed.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
January 18, 1895. }

Reported by Mr. LARRABEE of Portland, from Committee on Judiciary and ordered printed under Joint Rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*