

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# Sixty-Seventh Legislature.

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SENATE.

No. 19.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT to provide pure, unadulterated, intoxicating liquors,  
for lawful sale within this State; and to repeal sections  
fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen, nineteen and twenty  
of chapter twenty-seven of the Revised Statutes, relating  
to the State Agency for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors.

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

SECTION 1. For the purposes of lawful sale, the State  
2 shall furnish the municipal officers of its towns with pure,  
3 unadulterated, intoxicating liquors, at the actual cost of  
4 procuring, keeping and dispensing the same. The Gov-  
5 ernor and Council, from time to time, shall procure in the  
6 name of the State, pure, unadulterated, intoxicating  
7 liquors, in convenient receptacles, and of such kinds and

8 quantities, as may be required ; and shall furnish municipi-  
9 pal officers of towns with the same in the original, unbroken  
10 packages to be kept and sold by said towns for medicinal,  
11 mechanical, and manufacturing purposes only.

SECT. 2. The Governor and Council shall designate  
2 the place where said liquors shall be kept and stored, and  
3 shall cause all such liquors to be placed and kept therein  
4 in the original, unbroken packages. They shall fix the  
5 price at which such liquors shall be sold, in conformity  
6 with the provisions of this act. They may employ a store-  
7 keeper, who shall give bonds approved by them, and shall  
8 receive wages for his services at the rate of twelve hun-  
9 dred dollars per year, and may be removed at the pleasure  
10 of the Governor.

SECT. 3. Said store-keeper shall have charge of all such  
2 liquors in the place where they are stored, and shall dis-  
3 pense the same to the municipal officers of towns, where  
4 town liquor agencies are established. He shall ship liquors  
5 to such municipal officers, of such kinds and in such quan-  
6 tities, as they may in writing order. Such liquors shall  
7 be sold and delivered to the municipal officers aforesaid  
8 in the original, unbroken packages and not otherwise.  
9 Said store-keeper shall keep an accurate account of the  
10 kinds and quantities of liquors sold, the dates of shipment  
11 to each town, the name of each purchaser, and the prices  
12 thereof ; and on the tenth day of each month he shall file  
13 with the Governor and Council a true copy of such account  
14 for the month next preceding and shall verify the same

15 under oath. All money received by him or any other per-  
16 son from the sales of such liquors to municipal officers  
17 shall be turned into the State treasury at the end of each  
18 month. All liquors purchased under the authority of this  
19 act shall be paid for by warrants duly drawn on the State  
20 treasurer.

SECT. 4. The Governor shall issue to the municipal  
2 officers of the several towns within the State, notice of the  
3 place where the State dispensary is established for the sale  
4 of such liquors and the name of the store-keeper in charge  
5 thereof; and said municipal officers shall procure at said  
6 dispensary of said store-keeper, and at no other place and  
7 of no other person all such intoxicating liquors as can be  
8 lawfully kept and sold by their respective town liquor  
9 agents for the purposes herein specified. No person or  
10 persons except the municipal officers of towns shall pur-  
11 chase or procure of said store-keeper or of any other per-  
12 son in charge of said dispensary any intoxicating liquors  
13 for the purposes herein specified or for any other pur-  
14 poses whatsoever.

SECT. 5. If a municipal officer buys or procures any  
2 intoxicating liquors to be sold according to law, at any  
3 other place or of any other persons except those specified  
4 in the preceding section, or if he or any person in his  
5 employment, or by his direction, sells or offers for sale  
6 any such liquors that have been decreed to be forfeited,  
7 or causes any intoxicating, or malt liquors which he or  
8 they keep for sale, to be adulterated, by mixing with the

9 same any coloring matter, drug or ingredient, or mixes  
10 the same with other liquors of a different kind or quality,  
11 or with water, or sells or exposes for sale such liquor so  
12 adulterated, knowing it to be such, such offender forfeits  
13 to the town to which he belongs, not less than twenty nor  
14 more than one hundred dollars, to be recovered by indict-  
15 ment.

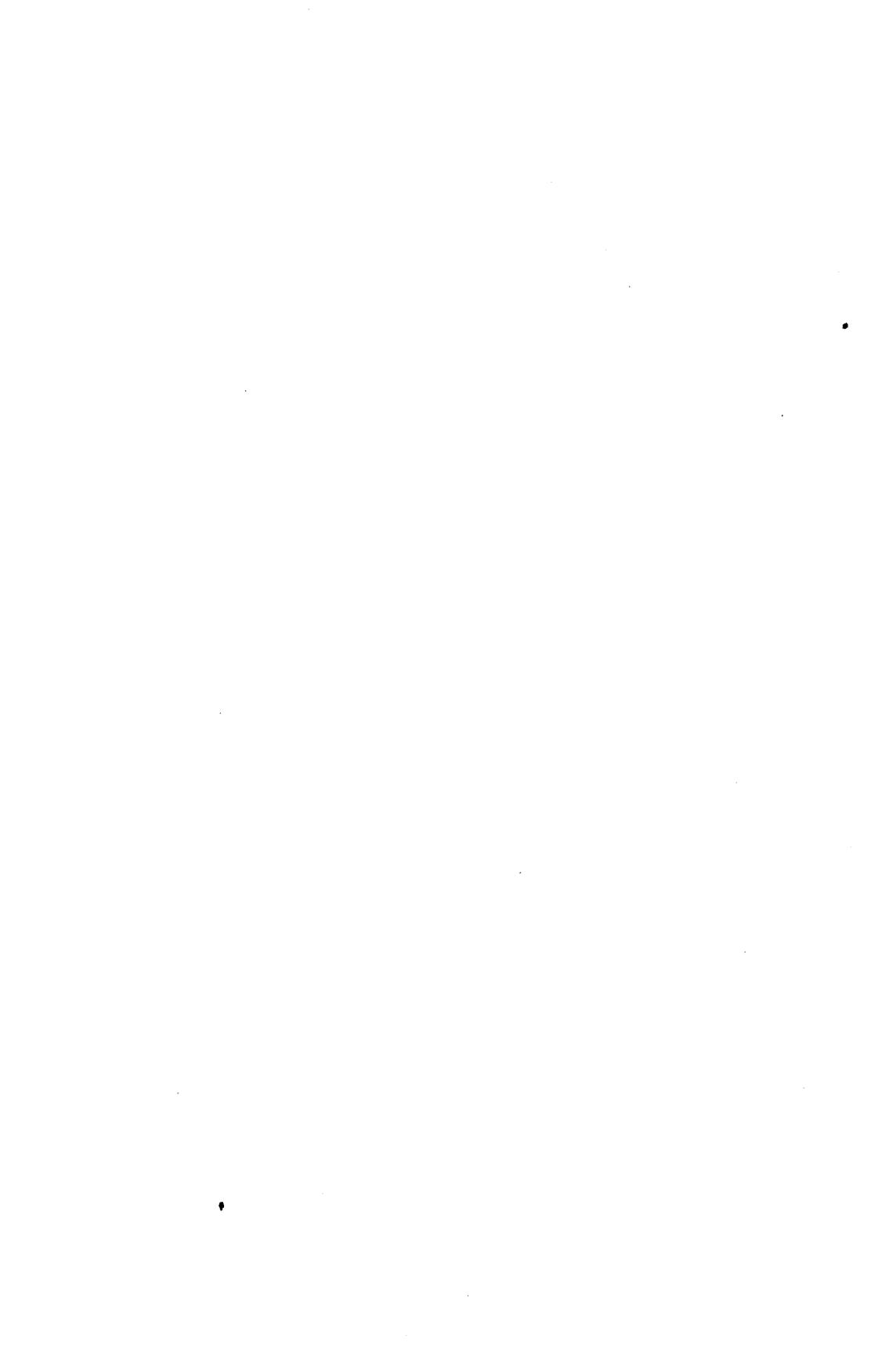
SECT. 6. Agents of towns are hereby authorized to sell  
2 intoxicating liquors, including strong beer and malt liquors,  
3 to the inhabitants of their respective towns, and to no other  
4 person or persons whatsoever, for medicinal, mechanical  
5 or manufacturing purposes only. Such agents shall keep  
6 an accurate record, in a suitable book, of the kinds and  
7 amount of liquors purchased and placed in their charge,  
8 the price for the same and the date of each purchase. They  
9 shall keep a like record of all such liquors sold by them,  
10 with the date of each sale, the name of the purchaser and  
11 the purpose for which it is purchased, the kind and amount  
12 sold to each person, and the price paid therefor; and on  
13 the tenth day of each month said agents shall transmit to  
14 the Governor and Council a report, on blanks furnished for  
15 that purpose, embodying the facts recorded by them. If  
16 any such agent fails to keep such record, or to transmit  
17 such report, he shall forfeit to his town not less than  
18 twenty nor more than fifty dollars to be recovered on  
19 complaint or indictment. Whoever knowingly or willfully  
20 misrepresents to any such agent the purpose for which he  
21 purchases any of such liquors forfeits to the use of the town

22 where said agency is established, not less than twenty nor  
23 more than fifty dollars to be recovered by complaint or  
24 indictment.

SECT. 7. The municipal officers of towns where liquor  
2 agencies are established under the provisions of this law,  
3 shall fix the price at which intoxicating liquors shall be  
4 sold by their agents, at the actual cost of procuring, keep-  
5 ing and dispensing the same, and they shall cause to be  
6 posted in a conspicuous place in said agencies the prices  
7 of the various kinds of liquors there kept for lawful sale.  
8 The records of said agencies shall be open to public  
9 inspection during the ordinary business hours of each  
10 secular day in the year. No intoxicating liquors, except  
11 such as are purchased or procured from the store-keeper  
12 at the state dispensary, shall be kept or stored in any  
13 town agency or be sold, given away or dispensed by any  
14 town liquor agent or municipal officer. Any person violat-  
15 ing the provisions of this section shall be liable to a fine  
16 of not less than twenty nor more than fifty dollars for each  
17 offence to be recovered by indictment.

SECT. 8. Sections fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen,  
2 nineteen, and twenty of chapter twenty-seven of the  
3 Revised Statutes of 1883 are hereby repealed.

SECT. 9. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this  
2 act are hereby repealed.



STATE OF MAINE

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IN SENATE, January 22, 1895.

Tabled, pending reference to Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence and ordered printed on motion by Mr. SAVAGE of Androscoggin.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, *Secretary*.