

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# Sixty-Eighth Legislature.

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HOUSE.

No. 261.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT additional to Chapter 101 of the Public Laws of 1895,  
relating to the Inspection of Buildings.

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

Section 1. The inspector of buildings and the municipal  
2 officers of any city or town shall have the right at all reason-  
3 able hours, for the purpose of examination, to enter into  
4 and upon all buildings and premises within their jurisdiction.  
5 Whenever any of said officers shall find in any building or  
6 upon any premises, combustible material or inflammable  
7 conditions dangerous to the safety of such buildings or  
8 premises, they shall order the same to be removed or reme-  
9 died, and such order shall be forthwith complied with by

10 the owner or occupant of said building or premises; pro-  
11 vided, however, that if the said owner or occupant shall  
12 deem himself aggrieved by such order when made by the  
13 inspector of buildings he may, within twenty-four hours,  
14 appeal to the municipal officers, and the cause of the com-  
15 plaint shall be at once investigated by the direction of the  
16 latter, and unless by their authority the order above named  
17 is revoked, such order shall remain in force and be forthwith  
18 complied with by said owner or occupant. The inspector of  
19 buildings or the municipal officers shall make, or cause to  
20 be made, an immediate investigation as to the presence of  
21 combustible material or the existence of inflammable condi-  
22 tions in any building or upon any premises under their  
23 jurisdiction, upon complaint of any person having an inter-  
24 est in said buildings or premises or property adjacent  
25 thereto. Any owner or occupant of buildings or premises,  
26 failing to comply with the orders of the authorities above  
27 specified, shall be punished by a fine of not less than five dol-  
28 lars for each day's neglect.



STATE OF MAINE.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
March 10, 1897.

Reported by Mr. HUTCHINSON of Auburn, from Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*