

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Seventy-first Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 536

STATE OF MAINE.

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PETTENGILL,
RANKIN,
PAGE,
DUDLEY,
BODWELL.

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BURNS,
SEWALL,
SWETT,
BRYANT.

Seventy-first Legislature.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND THREE.

AN ACT relating to the Public Health.

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

Section 1. The State Board of Health is authorized to
2 establish and equip with the proper and necessary apparatus,
3 instruments, and supplies, a State laboratory of hygiene, for
4 the chemical and bacteriological examination of water sup-
5 plies, milk and food-products, and the examination of cases
6 and suspected cases of diphtheria, typhoid fever, tuberculosis,
7 glanders, and other infectious and contagious diseases.

Sect. 2. The State Board of Health shall appoint a director
2 of such laboratory, who shall hold that position at the pleas-
3 ure of said Board of Health. He shall keep a record of all
4 specimens sent to him for examination, and examine these
5 specimens without unnecessary delay, and do such other work,

6 and make such other investigations relating to the public
7 health as said State Board of Health may from time to time
8 instruct him to do. He shall annually in the month of Jan-
9 uary make a full report to the State Board of Health of all
10 matters pertaining to the laboratory, and shall make such
11 other and special reports as the State Board of Health may
12 ask for. The kind and amount of the work he shall do and
13 the compensation therefor shall be fixed by the State Board
14 of Health.

Sect. 3. The services of the laboratory and all investiga-
2 tions therein made shall be free to the people of this State.

Sect. 4. The sum of two thousand dollars is hereby appro-
2 priated for the purpose of procuring the proper and necessary
3 apparatus, instruments, and other supplies for the equipment
4 of such laboratory; and the sum of three thousand dollars
5 per year is hereby appropriated to pay for the services of the
6 director, and of such assistants as may be necessary, to pro-
7 cure the necessary supplies, and to meet the other necessary
8 expenses of said laboratory, which sum shall be expended
9 under the supervision of the State Board of Health.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

AUGUSTA, March 25, 1903.

Tabled pending acceptance of either report, by Mr. SEWALL of
Bath, and with bill ordered printed.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*