

# Seventy-first Legislature.

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No. 537

# STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend section four of chapter two hundred and fifty-six of the Public Laws of 1893 as amended by chapter one hundred and ninety-seven of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the sale and analysis of Commercial Fertilizers.

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

Section 1. Strike out the words "said director" in the 2 fourth line and insert the words 'the state treasurer.' Insert 3 after the words "receipt of" in the ninth line the words 'the 4 treasurer's receipt for.' Strike out the words "The analysis 5 fees received by said director shall be paid immediately by 6 him into the treasury of said experiment station" at the end 7 of said section and insert the following: 'Said director shall 8 present to the governor and council itemized bills showing 9 the cost of analyzing each sample and on approval by them a

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10 warrant shall be drawn on the treasurer for payment thereof.11 Such payments not to exceed in any calendar year the amount12 of fees received the same year.' So that said section as13 amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 4. Any manufacturer, importer, agent or seller of 15 any commercial fertilizer, who shall deposit with the director 16 of the Maine Experiment Station a sample or samples of 17 fertilizer under the provisions of section two of this act, shall 18 pay annually to the State treasurer an analysis fee as follows: 19 ten dollars for the phosphoric acid, and five dollars each for 20 the nitrogen and potash, contained or said to be contained in 21 the fertilizer, this fee to be assessed on any brand sold in the 22 State, and upon receipt of the treasurer's receipt for such fee 23 and of the certified statement named in section two of this act, 24 said director shall issue a certificate of compliance with this 25 act. Whenever the manufacturer or importer of a fertilizer 26 shall have filed the statement made in section two of this act 27 and paid the analysis fee, no agent or seller of said manu-28 facturer, importer or shipper shall be required to file such 29 statement or pay such fee. Said director shall present to the 30 governor and council itemized bills showing the cost of ana-. 31 lyzing each sample and on approval by them a warrant shall 32 be drawn on the treasurer for the payment thereof. Such 33 payments not to exceed in any calendar year the amount of 34 fees received the same year.'

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AUGUSTA, March 25, 1903.

Tabled pending second reading by Mr. WEEKS of Fairfield, and ordered printed.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.