

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 210

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to regulate the sale of imitation dairy products.

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

Section 1. Section six of chapter one hundred and twenty-
2 nine of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by striking
3 out the whole of said section and inserting in place thereof
4 the following:

‘Sect. 6. No person shall manufacture, sell, expose for sale
6 or have in his possession with intent to sell, or take orders
7 for the future delivery of any article, substance or compound
8 made in imitation of yellow butter or cheese, and not made
9 exclusively and wholly of cream or milk, or containing any
10 fats, oil or grease not produced from milk or cream, whether

11 said article, substance or compound be named oleomargarine,
12 butterine, or otherwise named.'

Sect. 2. No person shall furnish oleomargarine in any
2 hotel, restaurant or boarding house, or at any lunch counter,
3 to a guest or patron thereof, instead of butter, without notify-
4 ing said guest or patron that the substance so furnished is
5 not butter.

Sect. 3. No person shall sell or offer for sale to any person
2 who asks, sends or inquires for butter or cheese, any sub-
3 stance or compound made in imitation of butter or cheese.

Sect. 4. No person shall sell, offer or expose for sale any
2 renovated butter, unless the words "renovated butter" shall
3 be conspicuously and plainly stamped, labelled or marked, so
4 that said words cannot be easily defaced, upon the top and
5 side of every tub, firkin, box or package containing said
6 article or compound. The seller at retail of said article or
7 compound, which is not in the original package, shall attach
8 to each package so sold and deliver therewith to the pur-
9 chaser a label or wrapper bearing in a conspicuous place upon
10 the outside of the package the words "renovated butter."

Sect. 5. Any person who violates any provision of the four
2 preceding sections shall be punished for the first offense by
3 a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars and for the second
4 offense by a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars.

Sect. 6. Section eight of chapter one hundred and twenty-
2 nine of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by striking
3 out the words "the two preceding sections" in the first line
4 thereof and inserting in place thereof the words 'this chap-
5 ter,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

‘Sect. 8. For the purposes of this chapter, the terms “but-
7 ter” and “cheese” mean the products usually known by those
8 names, and which are manufactured exclusively from milk
9 or cream, or both, with salt and rennet, and with or without
10 coloring matter.’

Sect. 7. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Augusta, February 22, 1905.

Reported by Mr. PURINTON from Committee on Agriculture and
ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, *Clerk.*