

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE.

No. 151

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to further define and enlarge the duties of the Commissioner of the Bureau of Industrial and Labor Statistics.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. The commissioner of the bureau of industrial
2 and labor statistics shall, as often as it may seem necessary,
3 transmit by mail to the owner, operator or manager of
4 every manufacturing establishment in the State a schedule
5 embodying inquiries as to—

- (1) Name of person, partnership or corporation.
- (2) Kind of goods manufactured or business done.
- (3) Number of partners or stockholders.
- (4) Capital invested.

(5) Principal stock or raw material used, and total value
11 thereof.

(6) Gross quantity and value of articles manufactured.

(7) Average number of persons employed, distinguishing
14 as to sex, adults and children.

(8) Smallest number of persons employed, and in what
16 month.

(9) Largest number of persons employed, and in what
18 month.

(10) Total wages, not including salaries of managers, paid
20 during the year, distinguishing as to sex, adults and chil-
21 dren.

(11) Proportion that the business of the year bore to the
23 greatest capacity for production of the establishment.

(12) Number of weeks in operation during the year, par-
25 tial time being reduced to full time.

Sect. 2. The owner, operator or manager of every estab-
2 lishment which is engaged in manufacturing, who receives
3 the foregoing schedule, shall answer the inquiries thereon
4 for the time called for and return said schedule to said
5 commissioner, with the answers therein certified as to their
6 accuracy, on or before the first day of September follow-
7 ing the receipt of said schedule. Abstracts of the infor-
8 mation so collected, with proper and comparative analyses
9 thereof, shall be included in the report of the bureau.

Sect. 3. Except by special permission, the names of per-
2 sons, partnerships or corporations who supply the infor-

3 mation called for by the two preceding sections shall not
4 be used in said reports, and the information obtained by
5 circular or otherwise for the use of the bureau shall be
6 confidential and not for the purpose of disclosing any
7 person's affairs.

Sect. 4. The said commissioner shall investigate the
2 causes of industrial accidents, the effect of such accidents
3 upon the injured and their dependent relatives and upon
4 the general public, and publish statistics thereon.

Sect. 5. He shall collect, arrange, illustrate, publish, and
2 distribute in this and other states, authentic information in
3 regard to the resources and attractions of Maine, showing
4 the advantages the State has to offer to manufacturers,
5 capitalists, summer residents, tourists, farmers, and those
6 seeking employment as farm laborers.

Sect. 6. To provide for carrying out the provisions of this
2 act, the twenty-third paragraph of section one of chapter
3 one hundred sixteen of the revised statutes is hereby amend-
4 ed by striking out the words "two thousand" in the third
5 line of said paragraph and inserting in place thereof the
6 words 'three thousand five hundred,' so that said para-
7 graph, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Commissioner of industrial and labor statistics, fifteen
9 hundred dollars; and he may employ such assistance, and
10 incur such expense not exceeding three thousand five hun-
11 dred dollars a year, as may be necessary for the performance
12 of his duties.'

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE,

February 9, 1909.

Presented by Mr. WALKER of Hancock and on his motion
tabled for printing pending reference to Committee on Labor.

F. G. FARRINGTON, *Secretary*.