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SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE. No. 398

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT relating to the powers of the board of prison and jail inspectors.

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

Section 1. Section twelve of chapter one hundred forty-2 one of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by adding to 3 said section the following:

'Said inspectors may, from time to time, make such recom-5 mendations as to them seem reasonable and proper, to the 6 commissioners of any county, or to the sheriff thereof, or to 7 the keeper of the jail therein, as to enlargement, alteration or 8 repair of the jail or workshop situated in the county in which 9 said commissioners, sheriff or jailer have jurisdiction, or as 10 to improvements in sanitary, heating or lighting conditions of II said jail or workshop, or as to the clothing, food, care, dis-12 cipline, classification and methods of feeding prisoners in said 13 jail or workshop, which recommendations said commission-14 ers, sheriff or jailer shall immediately carry into effect. 15 Should any such commissioners, sheriff or jailer refuse or 16 neglect to comply with such recommendations then said in-17 spectors shall submit such recommendations to the governor 18 and council. Should the governor and council approve of 19 such recommendations and said county commissioners, sheriff 20 or jailer still refuse or neglect to comply with the same, then 21 said inspectors shall carry such recommendations into effect. 22 Any expense incurred by said inspectors in carrying such 23 recommendations into effect shall, in the first instance, be 24 paid from the State treasury out of any money not otherwise 25 appropriated and the county in which such recommenda-26 tions are carried into effect shall forthwith reimburse the 27 State treasury for all such expenses. Should any county 28 neglect or refuse to reimburse the State treasury as herein 20 provided the attorney general shall bring an action against 30 such county in the name of the State of Maine to recover such 31 expenses, said action to be entered and prosecuted in any 32 county which the attorney general may select.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE,

March 12, 1909.

Reported by Mr. HAMILTON from Committee on Legal Affairs and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

F. G. FARRINGTON, Secretary.