

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

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STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend sections six, seven and eleven of Chapter fifteen of the Public Laws of 1907 relating to the protection of trees and shrubs from the introduction and ravages of dangerous insects and diseases, as amended by Chapter 34 of the Public Laws of 1909.

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

Section 1. Section six of chapter fifteen of the Public
2 Laws of 1907, as amended by Chapter thirty-four of the
3 Public Laws of 1909, is hereby amended by adding after
4 the word "stock" at the close of the first sentence, the fol-
5 lowing: 'Such application shall be accompanied by a fee
6 of ten dollars;' by striking out the word "fined" in the thir-
7 tenth line of said section and substituting therefor 'punish-

8 able by a fine of ;' and also by striking out in the last line of
9 said section the words, "also strawberry plants," so that the
10 section as amended shall read :

'Sect. 6. Agents or other parties excepting growers who
12 wish to sell nursery stock shall make application for an
13 agent's license and shall file with the State Entomologist the
14 names and addresses of nurseries or parties from whom
15 they purchase their stock. Such application shall be accom-
16 panied by a fee of ten dollars. On receipt of such applica-
17 tion the State Entomologist shall issue an agent's license
18 valid for one year in such form and with such provisions
19 as the Commissioner of Agriculture may prescribe. Such
20 license may be revoked at any time for failure to report
21 names and addresses of nurseries from which stock is pur-
22 chased or for such other causes as may in the opinion of
23 the Commissioner of Agriculture be deemed sufficient. Any
24 violation of this requirement shall be punishable by a fine
25 of not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars for each
26 offence.

'For the purpose of this act the term nursery stock is here-
28 by applied to all fruit and ornamental trees, shrubs and
29 vines, and includes currant, gooseberry, blackberry and rasp-
30 berry bushes.'

Sect. 2. Section seven of said Chapter fifteen, as amended
2 by Section four of Chapter 34 of the Public Laws of 1909,
3 is hereby amended by striking out the last sentence of the
4 first paragraph of said section seven, as amended, namely,

5 by striking out the words "If the amount thus expended
6 during one full year shall exceed one-twentieth of one per
7 cent of the tax valuation of said city or town, then the city
8 or town shall be reimbursed according to section eleven,"
9 and by striking out the last sentence of the third paragraph
10 of said section seven as amended, namely, by striking out
11 the words "If the expense incurred by the town in the per-
12 formance of the above named duties shall exceed the last
13 above named amount, the town shall be reimbursed by the
14 Commissioner of Agriculture by an amount equal to this
15 excess, providing the work has been done according to the
16 provisions of this act."

Sect. 3. Section eleven of said Chapter fifteen of the Pub-
2 lic Laws of 1907, as amended by section six of said Chapter
3 thirty-four of the Public Laws of 1909, is hereby repealed,
4 and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sect. 11. Selectmen of towns and the municipal officers
6 of cities shall, before the first day of June of each year,
7 cut, burn and destroy all dead or worthless apple trees, and
8 all wild cherry trees within the limits of the public ways,
9 streets and parks of their respective towns and cities. For
10 neglect or failure to perform the aforesaid duties each of
11 such officers shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty
12 dollars.'