

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend section twenty-five of chapter one hundred and twenty-five of the Revised Statutes relating to the observance of the Lord's Day.

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

Section 1. Section twenty-five of chapter one hundred and twenty-five of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto the following: 'The provisions of this section shall not be held to prohibit the manufacture and distribution of steam, gas or electricity for illuminating purposes, heat or motive power, nor the distribution of water for fire or domestic purposes, nor the use of the telegraph or the telephone, nor the retail sale of drugs and medicines,

9 nor articles ordered in the prescription of a physician or
10 mechanical appliances used by physicians or surgeons, nor
11 the retail sale of tobacco in any of its forms by licensed
12 innholders, common victuallers, druggists and newsdealers,
13 druggists, nor the letting or use of horses and carriages or
14 automobiles or of yachts and boats, nor the running of steam
15 ferry boats on established routes, nor the running of street
16 railway cars or the operation of steam railroads, nor the
17 preparation, printing and publication of newspapers, nor the
18 sale and delivery of newspapers, nor the wholesale or re-
19 tail sale and delivery of milk, nor the transportation of
20 milk, nor the making of butter and cheese, nor the keeping
21 open of public bath houses, nor the making or selling by
22 bakers or their employees, before ten o'clock in the morn-
23 ing and between the hours of four o'clock and half past six
24 o'clock in the evening, of bread or other food usually dealt
25 in by them,' so that said section as amended shall read as
26 follows:

'Sect. 25. Whoever, on the Lord's Day, keeps open his
28 shop, workhouse, warehouse or place of business, travels,
29 or does any work, labor or business on that day, except
30 works of necessity or charity; uses any sport game or rec-
31 reation; or is present at any dancing, public diversion, show
32 or entertainment, encouraging the same, shall be punished
33 by fine not exceeding ten dollars. The provisions of this
34 section shall not be held to prohibit the manufacture and
35 distribution of steam, gas or electricity for illuminating pur-

36 poses, heat or motive power, nor the distribution of water
37 for fire or domestic purposes, nor the use of the telegraph
38 or the telephone, nor the retail sale of drugs and medicines,
39 nor articles ordered by the prescription of a physician or
40 mechanical appliances used by physicians or surgeons, nor
41 the retail sale of tobacco in any of its forms by licensed inn-
42 holders, common victuallers, druggists and newsdealers
43 whose stores are open for the sale of newspapers every day
44 in the week, nor the retail sale of ice cream, soda water and
45 confectionery, by licensed innholders, and druggists, and
46 by such licensed common victuallers as are authorized to
47 keep open their places of business on the Lord's Day, nor
48 the letting of horses and carriages or automobiles or of
49 yachts and boats, nor the running of steam ferry boats on
50 established routes, nor the running of street railway cars
51 or the operation of steam railroads, nor the preparation,
52 printing and publication of newspapers, nor the sale and
53 delivery of newspapers, nor the wholesale or retail sale and
54 delivery of milk, nor the transportation of milk, nor the
55 making of butter and cheese, nor the keeping open of pub-
56 lic bath houses, nor the making or selling by bakers or their
57 employees, before ten o'clock in the morning and between
58 the hours of four o'clock and half past six o'clock in the
59 evening of bread or other food usually dealt in by them.