
SEVENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 168

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W. C. HANSON, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to provide for the appointment of a State Sealer of
Weights and Measures, and to define his duties.

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

Section 1. The state commissioner of agriculture shall be
2 the state sealer of weights and measures. The standards of
3 weights and measures adopted by the state shall be deposited
4 in a suitable room at the state capital, and be by him kept in
5 suitable cases, for the purpose of comparing with standards
6 which by law are furnished, upon the order and approval
7 of the state sealer, for the use of the several counties, cities
8 and towns.

Sect. 2. The state sealer of weights and measures shall
2 enforce the provisions of law requiring county and municipi-

3 pal officers to procure, maintain, prove and seal county and
4 municipal standards as required by law, and all standards
5 purchased after this act shall take effect shall be approved
6 by said state sealer. Beginning July 1, 1911, he, or his duly
7 authorized agent, shall try, adjust and seal the standard
8 weights, measures and balances of each county, city and
9 town at least once in ten years and shall see that they are
10 kept in good order and condition, and for such purposes he,
11 or his duly authorized agent, may at any time on the request
12 of the county commissioners of any county, the mayor of
13 any city, or the municipal officers of any town, visit such
14 county, city or town, and shall at all times have access to
15 county, city or town standards. He, or his duly authorized
16 agent, may also at all reasonable times inspect and test the
17 weights, measures and balances of any person, firm, asso-
18 ciation or corporation used or to be used in purchasing from
19 or selling to the public any goods, wares, merchandise or
20 other commodities, or for public weighing; conducting such
21 inspection and test with as little interruption as possible to
22 the prosecution of business; and if he finds any such weights,
23 measures or balances inaccurate or defective he shall forth-
24 with cause the same to be corrected or condemned. He shall
25 cause the provisions of the statutes pertaining to weights
26 and measures to be enforced, and for this purpose he shall
27 have all the power and authority conferred upon the sealers
28 of weights and measures in cities and towns, and shall have

29 general supervision of all weights and measures in use in
30 the state.

Sect. 3. The state sealer shall keep a record in detail of
2 the work of his office and shall annually, on or before the
3 first day of December, make a written report of the work
4 and the expenses of his office to the Governor and Council.