

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 427

House of Representatives, March 6, 1913.

*Reported by Mr. Maxwell from Committee on Public Health,
and ordered printed under joint rules.*

W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend Section four of Chapter seventy-eight of
the Public Laws of 1909, relating to the better protection of
the people of the State of Maine from the disease known as
Tuberculosis.

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

Section 1. Section four of chapter seventy-eight of the
2 Public Laws of 1909 is hereby amended by adding thereto
3 the following words: 'but the methods or processes of dis-
4 infection and the material or agencies with which it shall be
5 done shall be those which are advised by the state board of
6 health for work of that kind in connection with tuberculosis,'
7 so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 4. When notified of the vacation of any apartments
9 or premises as provided in section three hereof, the health
10 officer or secretary of the local board of health or his agent,
11 shall within twenty-four hours thereafter visit said apart-
12 ments or premises, and shall order and direct that, except
13 for the purposes of cleansing or disinfection, no infected
14 article shall be removed therefrom until properly and suit-
15 ably cleansed or disinfected, and said local board of health
16 shall determine the manner in which such apartments or
17 premises shall be disinfected, cleansed or renovated in order
18 that they may be rendered safe and suitable for occupancy.
19 If the health authorities determine that disinfection is suffi-
20 cient to render them safe and suitable for occupancy, such
21 apartments or premises together with all infected articles
22 therein, shall immediately be disinfected by the health au-
23 thorities at public expense, or, if the owner prefers, by the
24 owner at his expense, to the satisfaction of health author-
25 ities; but the methods or processes of disinfection and the
26 material or agencies with which it shall be done shall be
27 those which are advised by the state board of health for
28 work of that kind in connection with tuberculosis.'