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HOUSE

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STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT relating to inspection of Hotels, Inns and Lodging
Houses.

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

Section 1. There is hereby created the office of Hotel Com-
2 missioner in the State of Maine, for which the same facili-
3 ties in transacting its business shall be furnished as for other
4 executive departments of the State Government.

Sect. 2. The Hotel Commissioner shall be appointed by
2 the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the
3 Council, and shall receive a salary of one thousand eight
4 hundred dollars (\$1,800) per annum and necessary ex-
5 penses incurred in carrying out the provisions of this act,

6 payable quarterly on the first days of January, April, July,
7 and October. He shall furnish a bond to be approved by the
8 governor, running to the State of Maine, in the sum of two
9 thousand dollars (\$2,000), and shall hold office at the pleas-
10 ure of the governor.

Sect. 3. The Hotel Commissioner shall furnish application
2 blanks for licenses issued under the provisions of section ten
3 of this act. He shall see that inspections of hotels, inns and
4 lodging houses are made in accordance with the provisions
5 of section twenty-seven of this act. He is hereby granted
6 police power to enter or have access to any hotel, inn or
7 lodging house at reasonable times, to determine whether
8 the provisions of this act are being complied with. He shall
9 assist in the enforcement of any orders promulgated by the
10 state board of health relating to hotels, inns or lodging
11 houses. He shall keep a complete set of books for public
12 use and inspection, showing the conditions of each hotel, inn
13 and lodging house inspected, with especial regard to sanita-
14 tion, number of sleeping rooms, number and condition of its
15 fire escapes, together with the names of the owners, proprie-
16 tors and managers thereof, and any other information for the
17 betterment of the public service. He shall keep a true and
18 accurate account of all expenses incurred in carrying out the
19 provisions of this act, together with a true and accurate
20 statement of all fees collected from applicants for hotel, inn
21 and lodging house licenses, and quarterly he shall file sworn
22 and itemized statements of said expenses and fees with the

23 State Auditor. On the first day of each January, April, July
24 and October he shall pay into the State Treasury all fees
25 collected for licenses issued to date. He is hereby author-
26 ized and required to take such action and to make such rules
27 and regulations as are necessary to carry out the provisions
28 of this act, in accordance with its true purpose and intent.

Sect. 4. No hotel commissioner, or agent thereof, shall ac-
2 cept any free entertainment, fee or emolument from any in-
3 dividual, association of individuals, firm or corporation con-
4 ducting or financially interested in the management of a ho-
5 tel, inn or lodging house in this State. Any hotel commis-
6 sioner, or any agent thereof, who shall accept or receive such
7 entertainment, fee or emolument, and any individual, con-
8 ducting or financially interested in the management of any
9 such hotel, inn or lodging house, who shall offer, or cause to
10 be offered, such entertainment, fee or emolument, shall be
11 deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a
12 fine of not less than twenty dollars nor more than fifty dol-
13 lars, or by imprisonment for not less than ten nor more than
14 sixty days, or both.

Sect. 5. Every building or other structure, and all build-
2 ings in connection therewith, used, maintained or represent-
3 ed to the public to be a place where eating and sleeping ac-
4 commodations are offered for a consideration to transient or
5 other guests, and in which fifteen or more sleeping rooms
6 and one or more dining rooms or cafes are offered under the
7 same management for the accommodation of such guests,

8 shall for the purpose of this act be deemed a hotel; and only
9 such a building or combination of buildings as described
10 above shall for the purpose of this act be deemed a hotel or
11 have the right to use the name hotel.

Sect. 6. Every building or other structure, and all buildings,
2 in connection therewith, used, maintained, or represented to
3 the public to be a place where eating and sleeping accommo-
4 dations are offered for a consideration to transient or other
5 guests, and in which fourteen or less sleeping rooms and one
6 or more dining rooms or cafes are offered under the same
7 management for the accommodation of such guests, shall for
8 the purpose of this act be deemed an inn, and shall not have
9 the right to use the name hotel or lodging house.

Sect. 7. Every building or other structure, and all build-
2 ings in connection therewith, used, maintained, or represent-
3 ed to the public to be a place where sleeping accommodations
4 are furnished for a consideration to transient or permanent
5 guests, and containing fifteen or more rooms used for such
6 accommodations but in which no dining room or cafe is con-
7 ducted under the same management, shall for the purpose
8 of this act, be deemed a lodging house, and shall not have
9 the right to use the name hotel or inn.

Sect. 8. Commencing July first, nineteen hundred thir-
2 teen, and on the first day of each succeeding July, every in-
3 dividual or association of individuals, firm or corporation,
4 now engaged in the business of maintaining or conducting a
5 hotel, inn or lodging house, and every individual or associa-

6 tion of individuals, firm or corporation, which shall here-
7 after engage in conducting such business, in this State, shall
8 procure from the Hotel Commissioner, for each hotel, inn or
9 lodging house, so conducted or proposed to be conducted, a
10 hotelkeeper's, innkeeper's or lodging house keeper's license,
11 as the case may be. Such license shall take the place of an
12 innholder's license as provided in chapter twenty-nine, sec-
13 tion one, of the Revised Statutes of Maine. Every such li-
14 cense shall be non-transferable, shall expire on the first day
15 of July next following its issuance, and shall be revoked for
16 the unlawful maintenance of the licensed premises, either
17 by the licensee or his or its authorized agent. And no ho-
18 tel, inn or lodging house shall be maintained or conducted
19 in this state after July first, nineteen hundred thirteen, with-
20 out a license as herein provided.

Sect. 9. The fee for a license to conduct each hotel con-
2 taining fifty rooms or more shall be five dollars per annum,
3 and the fee for a license to conduct each hotel containing
4 less than fifty rooms, each inn and each lodging house, shall
5 be two dollars per annum, payable directly to the hotel com-
6 missioner previous to issuance thereof.

Sect. 10. The hotel commissioner shall, upon request
2 therefor, furnish to every individual or association of indi-
3 viduals, firm or corporation desiring to conduct a hotel, inn
4 or lodging house in this state, the necessary application blank
5 for a license, which the applicant shall fill in, stating the full
6 name and address of the owner, or agent and lessee of the

7 building, or both, and the full name and address of the man-
8 ager and proprietor of such hotel, inn or lodging house, to-
9 gether with a full description of the building and property
10 to be used for such business, stating also the location of the
11 same, which application, upon its return to the hotel com-
12 missioner, shall be accompanied by the legal license fee. Up-
13 on receipt of a proper application in writing accompanied
14 by the legal license fee, the hotel commissioner shall issue the
15 appropriate license to each applicant who shall have com-
16 plied with all legal requirements.

Sect. 11. Every hotel and inn in this state shall be pro-
2 vided with a washroom easy of access to its guests, and in
3 said washroom within view and reach of guests shall keep
4 a sufficient supply of clean individual towels during the reg-
5 ular meal hours, or, if no regular meal hours are observed,
6 then between the hours of 6.30 and 9.30 o'clock A. M., 11.30
7 o'clock A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M. and 6 and 8 o'clock P. M.
8 Said individual towels shall be not less than thirteen inches
9 in width and sixteen inches in length. Said hotels and inns
10 shall furnish each guest in every bedroom with an individual
11 cake of soap, and at least two clean towels of not less than
12 sixteen inches in width and thirty inches in length. All such
13 towels, both in public washrooms and in bedrooms of such
14 hotels and inns, shall after being used by one guest, be laund-
15 ered before being used by another. All roller paper towels
16 shall for the purpose of this act be deemed individual tow-
17 els. No such hotel or inn shall furnish for the use of its

18 guests any cloth roller towel after the passage of this act.

Sect. 12. Every hotel, inn and lodging house in this state
2 shall hereafter provide each bed to be used by its guests with
3 spring and mattress, and shall furnish every such bed with
4 pillow slips and under and top sheets of white cotton or linen
5 not less than ninety-nine inches in length, including hems,
6 and of sufficient width to completely cover the mattress and
7 springs, provided no sheet shall be used which after being
8 laundered measures less than ninety inches in length, in-
9 cluding hems, except sheets on cots or other sleeping places
10 used for guests in cases of emergency only. All such sheets
11 and pillow slips, after being used by one guest, must be
12 washed and ironed before they are used by another guest.

Sect. 13. All bedding, including mattresses, pillows, pillow
2 slips, blankets and sheets used in any hotel, inn or lodging
3 house, must be regularly and thoroughly aired, disinfected
4 and kept clean. No such bedding shall be used which is
5 worn out or for any other reason unfit for further use. Six
6 months after this act takes effect, no mattress shall be used
7 on any bed for guests in any hotel, inn or lodging house, if
8 made of moss, seagrass, excelsior, husks or shoddy. Three
9 months after this act takes effect, no comforters, puffs or
10 quilts shall be used on any bed for guests in any hotel, inn
11 or lodging house, except puffs, quilts or comforters made
12 of down.

Sect. 14. Every room in every hotel, inn or lodging house
2 which shall have been occupied by any person having a con-

3 tagious or infectious disease, shall be thoroughly fumigated
4 and all bedding therein thoroughly disinfected before such
5 room or rooms shall be occupied by another person. And
6 any room in any hotel, inn or lodging house infested with
7 vermin shall be thoroughly and successively fumigated, dis-
8 infected and renovated so long as occasion shall demand.
9 Provided that no such room or rooms shall in any event be
10 opened to the use of guests for at least forty-eight hours af-
11 ter such fumigation or disinfection.

Sect. 15. All pitchers and glasses, when used by any guest
2 in any sleeping room of any hotel, inn or lodging house, shall
3 be thoroughly cleansed with hot water and dried with towels
4 used solely for drying dishes, at least once each day, and at
5 such more frequent intervals, as may be necessary to pro-
6 vide each successive guest occupying such sleeping room with
7 pitchers and glasses so cleansed and dried, subsequent to
8 their use by the previous guest. Any person violating the
9 provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor,
10 and shall be subject to a fine of ten dollars for each offense.

Sect. 16. No ashes from any hotel, inn or lodging house
2 shall be deposited or kept therein unless placed in a tight
3 metal container or containers, with tight metal covers there-
4 on, or in separate rooms or vaults constructed of stone, brick
5 or cement.

Sect. 17. All buildings of three or more stories in this State
2 which shall be erected hereafter, or remodelled and converted
3 for use as hotels, inns or lodging houses, must be so con-

4 structed by the owners, contractors or builders that one main
5 hall on each floor above the ground floor shall run to a win-
6 dow or door, or to both, in the outside wall or walls, and
7 every such door or window shall be easy of egress.

Sect. 18. No hotel, inn or lodging house shall provide any
2 room for a sleeping room unless it contains at least one win-
3 dow opening to the outside of the building or to airshafts,
4 lightwells or courts. In any building hereafter erected or
5 converted for use as a hotel, inn or lodging house, no room
6 shall be used for a sleeping room unless it contains at least
7 one window opening to the outside of the building, or to air-
8 shafts, lightwells or courts; and each sleeping room in such
9 buildings containing only one window shall also contain at
10 least one lattice door, or one door with a transom as wide as
11 the door, opening into the hallway; and every sleeping room
12 in each hotel, inn or lodging house shall contain a closet or
13 some other accommodation for hanging clothing, and shall
14 be furnished with at least two chairs.

Sect. 19. Every hotel, inn and lodging house shall be fully
2 equipped with a system of plumbing and drainage, construct-
3 ed according to approved sanitary principles, shall be amply
4 and properly lighted both with natural light in the day time
5 and with artificial light at night, shall be properly ventilated
6 and shall be conducted in every respect with strict regard
7 to the health and comfort of guests.

Sect. 20. Every hotel, inn and lodging house, when located
2 in cities, towns or villages having a public system of water-

3 works and sewerage, within six months after this act takes
4 effect, shall be equipped with at least one suitable water
5 closet on each floor, for the accommodation of guests. Such
6 closets shall be connected by a system of proper and sani-
7 tary plumbing, with the public sewer or other approved sys-
8 tem, and shall be supplied with means of flushing with the
9 water of said system in such manner as to prevent sewer gas
10 or effluvia from arising therefrom. Within six months af-
11 ter this act takes effect, all lavatories, bath-tubs, sinks, drains,
12 closets and urinals in such hotels, inns and lodging houses
13 must be connected and equipped in the same manner as above
14 stated, and at all times must be kept clean and sanitary.

Every closet and urinal in such hotels, inns or lodging
16 houses, not in the nature of a private closet or urinal, but
17 open to the general use of all guests, shall be flushed daily
18 with a disinfectant to be approved by the state board of
19 health.

Sect. 21. Every hotel, inn or lodging house located in
2 cities, towns or villages having no public system of water
3 works, shall be provided with privies properly constructed
4 over vaults, for the accommodation of guests. Such privies
5 shall be properly heated from the first of every November
6 to the first of every April, between the hours of 6 o'clock A.
7 M. and 10 o'clock P. M., and shall be kept clean and sani-
8 tary at all times. During the summer all doors or windows
9 opening or leading into said privies shall be screened with
10 wire mesh screening. Separate apartments, properly desig-
11 nated, shall be provided for both sexes.

Sect. 22. Each and every hotel and lodging house shall be
2 provided with a gong or gongs at least eight inches in dia-
3 meter, which shall be placed in the hallway on each floor in
4 such a position that their ringing can be heard in every room.
5 Apparatus for ringing such gongs shall be located in the of-
6 fice and shall be so constructed as to cause all of said gongs
7 to ring continuously for at least three minutes after being
8 started. Any person or persons who shall tamper with such
9 gongs, or the apparatus provided for ringing same, shall be
10 guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a fine of not less than
11 ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars and to imprisonment
12 for not less than five nor more than thirty days, or both.

Sect. 23. Each and every hotel, inn or lodging house, one,
2 two and three stories in height, shall be provided with one
3 fire extinguisher of a style and size approved by the Nation-
4 al Board of Fire Underwriters, on each floor containing a
5 floor area of 2,500 square feet or fraction thereof, and one
6 additional fire extinguisher on each floor for each additional
7 floor area of 2,500 square feet or fraction thereof. Such
8 extinguisher or extinguishers shall be placed in a convenient
9 location in a public hallway, and shall always be in a condi-
10 tion for use. Any person or persons who shall tamper with
11 such fire extinguishers shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and
12 subject to a fine of not less than ten dollars nor more than
13 fifty dollars, and to imprisonment for not less than five nor
14 more than thirty days, or both.

Sect. 24. Every hotel, inn or lodging house shall keep at

2 all times a candle in its holder in each sleeping room with
3 the words on each holder, or on a printed card fastened to
4 the wall near by, "To be used only in case of emergency."

Any person using or destroying such a candle, or removing
6 such a candle from its customary location, (except in case
7 of emergency) without the knowledge or consent of the man-
8 ager or proprietor of such hotel, inn or lodging house, shall
9 be deemed guilty of such misdemeanor, and shall be sub-
10 ject to a fine of not less than ten dollars nor more than fifty
11 dollars, or to imprisonment for not less than five days nor
12 more than thirty days.

Sect. 25. On the inside of every building to be hereafter
2 erected or remodelled for use as a hotel, inn or lodging house,
3 four or more stories in height, containing fifty or more
4 sleeping rooms, and not already supplied with two standpipes
5 three inches in diameter, there shall be at least two stand-
6 pipes, under water pressure, of not less than four inches in
7 diameter, equipped with long bend fittings and connected
8 directly with the street main. Such standpipes shall be lo-
9 cated in such parts of the hallways as are not in close prox-
10 imity to elevator shafts or stairways, shall be so spaced that
11 fire in any room can be quickly reached by at least one first
12 aid fire stream, and on each floor shall have two hose valves
13 and connections, one for a one and one-half inch hose and
14 another conforming to the size of the hose used by the local
15 fire department, the latter to be provided with hose threads
16 interchangeable with those of the said fire department. There

17 shall at all times be attached to such standpipes on each
18 floor, at least one linen hose one and one-half inches in diam-
19 eter and of sufficient length to reach any room on the floor
20 where it is attached; provided that no hose so used shall ex-
21 ceed fifty feet in length. Every such hose shall be provided
22 with brass coupling and with a composition metal nozzle, at
23 least eight inches in length and tapering to a discharge ori-
24 fice of not less than one-half nor more than three-quarters
25 of an inch in diameter. Every such hose shall be attached to
26 valves at the standpipe and stored on hose racks securely
27 fastened in position and so designed that the water can be
28 turned on without disturbing the hose or preventing it from
29 being pulled off and laid without further attention to the
30 controlling valve. Any person tampering with or remov-
31 ing such hose from its customary location shall be guilty of
32 a misdemeanor, and shall be subject to a fine of not less than
33 ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars, or to imprisonment
34 for not less than five nor more than thirty days, or both.
35 Provided, however, that this section shall not apply to cities,
36 towns or villages having no waterworks and fire-fighting
37 equipment for making use of said standpipe and shall not
38 require the use of a standpipe which would not conform in
39 size to the water service of the local water system.

Sect. 26. Within six months after this act takes effect,
2 every hotel, inn or lodging house, three stories high or over,
3 and having fifteen or more sleeping rooms on the third
4 floor, shall be equipped with an iron stairway, fire-escape

5 or fire-escapes, on the outside of the building, connected
6 with openings from each floor above the ground floor and
7 having landings not less than six feet in length and three
8 feet in width, guarded by an iron railing not less than thirty
9 inches in height. Such landings shall be connected by iron
10 stairs not less than two feet wide with steps of not less
11 than six inches tread and placed at an angle of not more
12 than forty-five degrees. Provided, however, that a spiral
13 fire-escape guarded by a railing not less than thirty inches
14 high with stairs measuring not less than twenty-four inches
15 wide on the outside edge, having not less than six inches
16 tread and placed at an angle of not more than forty-five
17 degrees, shall meet all the requirements of this section.
18 Provided, also, that no iron stairway or spiral fire-escape
19 on any hotel, inn or lodging house coming within the re-
20 quirements of this section at the time of the passage of
21 this act, shall be condemned if such stairway or spiral fire-
22 escape shall comply in substance with the specifications of
23 this section and shall be deemed by the hotel inspector a
24 suitable and efficient fire-escape within the intents and
25 purposes of this act. All treads and landings on all fire-
26 escapes required by this section shall be constructed of iron
27 bars set on edge. All such fire-escapes shall be placed
28 where the hotel commissioner directs, and in every possible
29 case shall be so constructed as not to cross any window or
30 windows between landings.

If there are more than fifteen sleeping rooms on each floor

32 above the second floor, there shall be provided one such
33 fire-escape as herein described, for each additional fifteen
34 sleeping rooms on each floor. The way of egress to such
35 fire-escapes shall at all times be kept free and clear of any
36 and all obstructions of any and every nature, and at every
37 opening to every such fire-escape a red light shall be kept
38 burning at night. There shall be posted and maintained
39 in conspicuous places in each hall and each guest room,
40 except in the hall and rooms on the ground floor of such
41 hotel, inn or lodging house, plainly written notices reading,
42 "Fire-escapes are indicated by red lights."

And every such hotel, inn or lodging house less than four
44 stories high and having less than fifteen sleeping rooms on
45 the third floor, shall have hallways placarded to indicate
46 all stairways and exits and shall keep a five-eighths inch
47 knotted rope of sufficient length to reach the ground in
48 each outside room above the ground floor. Such rope shall
49 be fastened six feet above the floor near a window and in
50 such a substantial manner that it shall be able to sustain
51 at least five hundred pounds weight.

Provided, further, that nothing in this section will be con-
53 strued to prevent the use of any automatic or other ap-
54 proved rope fire-escape in place of the knotted rope.

Sect. 27. The proprietor or manager of every hotel, inn
2 or lodging house containing fifty or more rooms shall em-
3 ploy and keep at least one competent watchman whose duty
4 it shall be to watch and guard against fire in such hotel or

5 lodging house, between the hours of 9 o'clock P. M. and
6 6 o'clock A. M., daily.

Sect. 28. The hotel commissioner shall see to it that
2 every hotel, inn or lodging house, is inspected at least once
3 each year, and shall furthermore see to it that additional
4 inspections are made upon sworn complaint presented by
5 any citizen of the state of Maine. Whenever upon any
6 such inspection it shall be found that any hotel, inn or lodg-
7 ing house is not equipped or conducted in accordance with
8 the provisions of this act, he shall thereupon notify the
9 owner, agent or lessee of the building or buildings or the
10 proprietor or manager of the business conducted therein,
11 either one or all of them as the case may require, of such
12 changes as may be necessary to effect a complete compliance
13 with the provisions of this act, setting forth in the notice
14 the number or numbers of the section or sections of this
15 act uncomplied with. It shall thereupon become the duty
16 of such owner, agent or lessees, and of such proprietor or
17 manager, either one or both, to effect such changes in the
18 building, or premises, as may be necessary to make a full
19 compliance with the provisions of this act; provided that
20 thirty days after the receipt of such notice shall be allowed
21 for conforming to the requirements of sections eight, eleven,
22 thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, twenty-two, twenty-three and
23 twenty-six of this act, and sixty days for conforming to the
24 requirements of sections twelve, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen,
25 nineteen, twenty, twenty-one, twenty-four and twenty-five

26 of this act; and provided further that the proprietor or
27 manager of the business conducted in said building or build-
28 ings shall not be compelled to comply with the requirements
29 of sections sixteen, seventeen, eighteen, nineteen, twenty,
30 twenty-one, twenty-four and twenty-five of this act, when-
31 ever the notice herein provided for, together with criminal
32 process, can be served upon the owner or owners of said
33 building or buildings, or in case of the impossibility of such
34 service, then upon the lessee or lessees of said building or
35 bulidings, who in such case shall be responsible for a full
36 compliance with said last mentioned sections.

Sect. 29. Every individual or association of individuals,
2 firm or corporation failing or refusing to comply with the
3 provisions of sections eight to twenty-two inclusive and
4 sections twenty-four to twenty-six inclusive, and whose duty
5 it is to comply with the provisions of said sections, shall be
6 guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to a fine of
7 five dollars for each and every day's refusal or failure to
8 so comply.

Sect. 30. If for thirty days after final conviction of a
2 misdemeanor within the meaning of the terms of this act,
3 failure or refusal to comply with the sections mentioned
4 in the notice referred to in section twenty-seven still con-
5 tinues, the building or buildings and premises involved may
6 be closed for use as a hotel, inn or lodging house, and may
7 be kept closed until all the provisions of this act shall be
8 complied with.

Sect. 31. Any person who shall obstruct or hinder a hotel
2 commissioner from the proper discharge of his duties under
3 this act, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon con-
4 viction thereof shall be fined not less than ten dollars
5 (\$10.00) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100), or
6 shall be imprisoned in the county jail for not less than ten
7 days nor more than ninety days, or both.

Sect. 32. Any hotel commissioner who shall wilfully fail
2 in any instance to exercise the power vested in him for the
3 enforcement of the provisions of this act, or who shall
4 knowingly issue a hotel, inn or lodging house license to any
5 person, association, firm or corporation of this state, when
6 such person, association, firm or corporation has not com-
7 plied with the provisions of this act, shall, upon conviction
8 thereof, be fined not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) nor
9 more than five hundred dollars (\$500), or shall be impris-
10 oned for a term not exceeding one year in the county jail,
11 and upon such conviction shall be forever disqualified as
12 a hotel commissioner.

Sect. 33. Any person or persons removing from any hotel,
2 inn or lodging house in this state, without the permission of
3 the owner or manager thereof, any bedding, towels, soap,
4 crockery, silverware, brushes, combs, or anything in the
5 nature of hotel, inn or lodging house furnishings or sup-
6 plies, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject
7 to a fine of not less than ten dollars nor more than one hun-

8 dred dollars, or to imprisonment for not less than ten nor
9 more than ninety days, or both.

Sect. 34. In case of any change in name or ownership of
2 the business or premises of any hotel, inn or lodging house,
3 it shall be the duty of the present owner, owners or man-
4 ager of the business conducted in such hotel, inn or lodging
5 house to notify the hotel commissioner of such change at
6 once, stating the new name under which the business is to
7 be continued, together with the full names and addresses of
8 all the owners of the business and premises.

Sect. 35. Every hotel, inn and lodging house shall post
2 printed copies of sections fifteen, twenty-two, twenty-three,
3 twenty-four and thirty-three of this act, in conspicuous
4 places in its offices, halls and sleeping rooms; such notices
5 shall be furnished by the hotel commissioner upon request.

Sect. 36. The services of all notices provided for in this
2 act shall be made by the hotel commissioner, either by per-
3 sonal delivery or by registered letter to the owner, agent
4 or lessee of the building or buildings and premises, or to
5 the proprietor or manager, (either one or both), of such
6 hotels, inns or lodging houses.

Sect. 37. It shall be the duty of the several county attor-
2 neys, upon sworn complaint of a hotel commissioner, to
3 prosecute to final judgment of conviction before any court
4 of competent jurisdiction any action or proceeding, in the
5 name of the state of Maine, for the violation of any of the
6 provisions of this act.

Sect. 38. All acts or parts of acts relating to innholders
2 and victualers' licenses, in chapter twenty-nine of the Re-
3 vised Statutes of Maine, together with all acts or parts of
4 acts relating to fire-escapes in chapter twenty-eight of the
5 Revised Statutes of Maine and amendments thereof con-
6 tained in the Public Laws of Maine for nineteen hundred
7 nine, shall not apply to hotels, inns or lodging houses as
8 defined in this act.