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STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend Chapter one hundred and nineteen of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred and eleven regulating the sale of agricultural seeds, commercial feeding stuffs, commercial fertilizers, drugs, foods, fungicides and insecticides.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:
Section 1. Chapter one hundred and nineteen of the Pub-2 lic Laws of nineteen hundred and eleven is hereby amended
3 by the addition of two new sections and adding the follow-4 ing at the end of the sentence before the last in section nine:
5 'Except that said fee shall not be assessed for the registra-6 tion of a fungicide or insecticide consisting of organic mat-7 ter and not containing any added inorganic matter or min-

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8 eral chemical, provided that a complete chemical analysis 9 of said fungicide or insecticide is given in, and as part of, 10 the certificate required under this section,' so that the sec-11 tion as amended and added shall read as follows:

'Sect. 9. Any person who shall manufacture, sell, dis-13 tribute, transport, offer or expose for sale, distribution or 14 transportation in the state any fungicide or insecticide shall 15 before so doing file with the commissioner of agriculture 16 for each and every fungicide or insecticide bearing a dis-17 tinguishing name or trademark, a certified copy of the state-18 ments made in section eight. Said certified copy shall be 19 accompanied when said commissioner of agriculture shall 20 so request by a sealed package containing not less than one 21 pound of fungicide or insecticide. The person who shall 22 file such certificate shall pay annually to the commissioner 23 of agriculture a registration fee of ten dollars, this fee to 24 be assessed on any brand offered for sale, distribution or 25 transportation in the state, except that said fee shall not 26 be assessed for the registration of a fungicide or insecticide 27 consisting of organic matter and not containing any added. 28 inorganic matter or mineral chemical, provided that a com-29 plete chemical analysis of said fungicide or insecticide is 30 given in, and as part of, the certificate required under this 31 section. Whenever any person shall have filed said certifi-32 cate and paid said registration fee, no other person shall be 33 required to file such statement or pay such fee.

'Sect. 22. Lime, marl or wood ashes intended for fer-

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35 tilizing purposes, and without regard to the price at which 36 it is sold or offered for sale, shall be classed as a commer-37 cial fertilizer within the meaning of this act. All of the 38 requirements and penalties relative to commercial fertilizers 30 named in this act shall apply to any and every lot of lime, 40 marl or wood ashes intended for fertilizing purposes. In 41 addition to the requirement of section six the label and cer-42 tificates shall truly state the minimum and maximum per-43 centage of total lime (calcium oxide), the minimum and 44 maximum percentage of total magnesia (magnesium oxide), 45 the minimum and maximum percentage of lime combined 46 as carbonate (calcium carbonate), and magnesium combined 47 as carbonate (magnesium carbonate), and minimum per-48 centage of lime sulphur (calcium sulphate) in gypsum or 49 land plaster. The person filing the certificate shall an-50 nually pay to the commissioner of agriculture a registration 51 fee of ten dollars for each brand of lime intended for fer-52 tilizing purposes.

'Sect. 23. For the purpose of this act an article of food 54 in package form if sold at a greater price than five cents, 55 shall also be deemed to be misbranded if the quantity of 56 the contents be not plainly and conspicuously marked on 57 the outside of the package in terms of weight, measure, or 58 numerical count. Provided, however, that reasonable va-59 riations shall be permitted, and tolerances shall be estab-60 lished by rules and regulations made in accordance with sec-61 tion thirteen of this act. And further provided that the 62 penalties of this act shall not be enforced on account of sale 63 of food not branded in terms of weight, measure, and nu-64 merical count, purchased prior to January first, nineteen 65 hundred and fourteen.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect January one, nineteen 2 hundred and fourteen.

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