

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 239

In Senate, Feb. 6, 1913.

Presented by Senator Murphy of Cumberland, and on motion by Senator Wing of Franklin laid on the table for printing pending reference to a committee.

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT relative to the inspection of buildings.

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

Section 1. Section 28 of chapter 28 of the Revised Statutes of Maine is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sect. 28. He shall at least once in three years, and oftener
4 when required by the municipal officers, inspect chimneys,
5 flues, funnels, stoves, furnaces, boilers and boiler connec-
6 tions, and heating apparatus in all the buildings within his
7 jurisdiction, in which fire is kept or used, to ascertain if the
8 same are safe against fire. He may give such directions in

9 writing as he may deem necessary to the owner of said build-
10 ing to make changes in the construction or situation of such
11 chimneys, flues, funnels, stoves, furnaces, boilers, boiler con-
12 nections and heating apparatus, so as to make the same safe
13 as aforesaid, and the municipal officers or the insurance
14 commissioner may require such inspection of any particular
15 building or buildings at any time. The building inspector
16 of a municipality shall furnish the insurance commissioner
17 with such information as he may require to show what in-
18 spections have been made during his term of office and such
19 other information as relates thereto, provided that in case
20 of inspection at the request of the insurance commissioner,
21 such municipal inspector shall, upon presentation of proper
22 evidence, be allowed not exceeding five dollars per day for
23 each full day or pro rata for less than a full day for time
24 actually spent in making such inspections. The insurance
25 commissioner may, whenever he deems it expedient or ad-
26 visable, employ assistance to inspect or to assist in the in-
27 spections of buildings, appliances and property and any per-
28 son so employed shall have the same powers and privileges
29 as the municipal inspector, except that any property owner
30 deeming himself aggrieved because of any written direction
31 given by such person may appeal to the insurance commis-
32 sioner, who shall examine, either by himself or deputy and
33 either endorse or modify the directions appealed from and
34 the decision of the insurance commissioner shall be final.