

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 239

In Senate, March 2, 1915.

Ordered, That five hundred copies be printed and that the same be referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Committee on Reference.

Presented by Mr. Walker of Somerset.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN

AN ACT to promote the industry of Horse Breeding in Maine
and provide for the Registration of Stallions.

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

Section 1. The commissioner of agriculture, the live stock
2 sanitary commissioner and the dean of the College of Ag-
3 riculture shall constitute a board for the promotion of horse
4 breeding and the registration of stallions to be known as
5 the Stallion Registration Board, with its office at Augusta.

Sect. 2. No person, firm or company shall use or offer
2 for use for public service in this state any stallion unless
3 and until he shall have caused the name, description and
4 pedigree of such stallion to be enrolled by the Stallion Reg-
5 istration Board.

Sect. 3. In order to obtain the enrollment certificate provided for herein, the owner of each stallion shall have the said stallion examined in a careful and thorough manner by a legally qualified veterinarian who shall charge for this service a just and reasonable fee not in excess of five dollars for each stallion examined, and shall forward to the Stallion Registration Board, two dollars and an affidavit of soundness signed by the said legally qualified veterinarian, on a blank form furnished by said board, together with the original stud book certificate of registry of the pedigree of the said stallion and any other necessary papers required to prove his breeding, identity and ownership. It is further provided that in case of emergency the Stallion Registration Board is authorized to grant temporary certificates of enrollment without a veterinarian's affidavit upon receipt of the owner's affidavit of soundness, on a blank form furnished by said department. Temporary enrollment certificates shall be valid only until a veterinary examination can reasonably be had.

Sect. 4. The presence of any one of the following named diseases shall disqualify a stallion for public service: Cataract; amaurosis (glass eye); periodic ophthalmia (moon blindness); laryngeal hemiplegia (roaring or whistling); pulmonary emphysema (heaves, broken wind); chorea (St. Vitus' dance, crampiness, shivering, string halt); bone spavin; ringbone; sidebone; navicular disease; bog spavin; curb, with curby formation of hock; glanders; farcy; mala-

9 die du coit; urethral gleet; mange; melanosis; and the Stal-
10 lion Registration Board is hereby authorized to refuse its
11 certificate of enrollment to any stallion affected with any
12 one of the diseases hereby specified and to revoke the previ-
13 ously issued enrollment certificate of any stallion found
14 upon investigation by the board to be so affected.

Sect. 5. When a specific complaint signed by three re-
2 sponsible parties is made to the Stallion Registration Board
3 that a stallion is unsound and, on investigation an exam-
4 ination is by the board deemed necessary, such examina-
5 tion shall be made by a legally qualified veterinarian depu-
6 tized by the board, but the owner of the stallion shall have
7 the right to employ a legally qualified and reputable vet-
8 erinarian to act with the veterinary representing the board,
9 and in case these two shall fail to agree they shall appoint
10 a third veterinarian to act as referee, and his decision shall
11 be final.

Sect. 6. The Stallion Registration Board shall use as their
2 standard for action: (1) the stud books and signatures of
3 the duly authorized officers of the following foreign horse
4 pedigree registry associations, societies or companies, recog-
5 nized by the department of agriculture, Washington, D. C.,
6 in bureau of animal industry order No. 175, November 25,
7 1910, and amendment No. 1 thereto, December 30, 1910:

Belgian. Stud Book des Chevaux de trait Belges, Société
9 le Cheval de Trait, Chevalier G. Hyndrick, Secretary, Brus-
10 sels, Belgium.

Clydesdale. Clydesdale Studbook, Clydesdale Horse Society of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Archibald MacNeilage, Secretary, Glasgow, Scotland.

French Draft. Studbook des Chevaux de Trait, Français, Société des Agriculteurs de France; Henri Hohonet, Secretary, Paris, France.

Hackney. Hackney Studbook, Hackney Horse Society, Frank F. Euren, Secretary, London, W., England.

Percheron. Studbook Percheronne de France, Société Hippique Percheronne de France, E. Lemarie, Secretary, Nogent-le-Rotrou, France.

Shetland Pony. Shetland Pony Studbook, Shetland Pony Studbook Society, R. W. Walker, Secretary, Aberdeen, Scotland.

Shire. Shire Horse Society Studbook, Shire Horse Society, J. Sloughgrove, Secretary, London, W., England.

Suffolk. Suffolk Studbook, Suffolk Horse Society, Fred Smith, Secretary, Rendlesham, Woodbridge, Suffolk, England.

Thoroughbred. Australian General Studbook, W. C. Yuille & Sons, Melbourne, Aus., Weatherby & Sons, London, W., England.

Welsh Pony and Cob. Welsh Pony and Cob Studbook, The Welsh Pony and Cob Society, John R. Bache, Secretary, Knighton, Radnorshire, Wales.

Belgian, Clydesdale, Hackney, Shire, Suffolk and Welsh

37 Pony and Cob. Canadian National Records, Ottawa, Can-
38 ada.

(2) The studbooks and signatures of the duly authorized
40 officers of the following American horse pedigree registry
41 associations, societies or companies, certified by the depart-
42 ment of agriculture, Washington, D. C., in bureau of ani-
43 mal industry order No. 136, June 20, 1906, and in the amend-
44 ments thereto:

American Trotter. American Trotting Register, Ameri-
46 can Trotting Register Association, Wm. H. Knight, Secre-
47 tary, 137 S. Ashland Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Arabian. The Arabian National Studbook, The Arabian
49 Horse Club of America, Henry K. Bush-Brown, Secretary,
50 Washington, D. C.

Belgian. National Register of Belgian Draft Horses, The
52 American Association of Importers and Breeders of Bel-
53 gian Draft Horses, J. D. Connor, Jr., Secretary, Wabash,
54 Ind.

Cleveland Bay. American Cleveland Bay Studbook, Cleve-
56 land Bay Society of America, R. P. Stericker, Secretary,
57 Aurora, Ill.

Clydesdale. American Clydesdale Stud Book, American
59 Clydesdale Association, R. B. Ogilvie, Secretary, Union
60 Stock Yards, Chicago, Ill.

French Coach. French Coach Stud Book of America,
62 French Coach Horse Society of America, Duncan E. Wil-

63 lett, Secretary, Maple Ave. and Harrison St., Oak Park,
64 Ill.

French Draft. National Register of French Draft Horses,
66 National French Draft Horse Association of America, C.
67 E. Stubbs, Secretary, Fairfield, Iowa.

German, Hanoverian and Oldenburg Coach. German,
69 Hanoverian and Oldenburg Coach Horse Studbook, Ger-
70 man, Hanoverian and Oldenburg Coach Horse Association
71 of America, J. Crouch, Secretary, La Fayette, Ind.

Hackney. American Hackney Studbook, American Hack-
73 ney Horse Society, Guernsey C. Gue, Secretary, 308 W. 97th
74 St., New York, N. Y.

Morgan. American Morgan Register, American Morgan
76 Register Association, T. E. Boyce, Secretary, Middlebury,
77 Vt.

Percheron. Percheron Studbook of America, Percheron
79 Society of America, Wayne Dinsmore, Secretary, Union
80 Stock Yards, Chicago, Ill.

Saddle Horse. American Saddle Horse Register, Ameri-
82 can Saddle Horse Breeders' Association, I. B. Nall, Secre-
83 tary, Louisville, Ky.

Shetland Pony. American Shetland Studbook, American
85 Shetland Pony Club, J. M. Wade, Secretary, La Fayette, Ind.

Shire. American Shire Horse Studbook, American Shire
87 Horse Association, Charles Burgess, Sr., Secretary, We-
88 nona, Ill.

Suffolk. American Suffolk Horse Studbook, American
90 Suffolk Horse Association, A. Graham Galbraith, Secretary,
91 De Kalb, Ill.

Thoroughbred. American Studbook, The Jockey Club,
93 W. H. Rowe, Secretary, 571 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

Welsh Pony and Cob. Welsh Pony and Cob Studbook,
95 The Welsh Pony and Cob Society of America, George E.
96 Brown, Secretary, Aurora, Ill.

Sect. 7. The said Stallion Registration Board shall accept
2 as pure bred and entitled to a license certificate as such,
3 each stallion for which a pedigree registry certificate is fur-
4 nished bearing the signatures of the duly authorized officers
5 of one of the above named American associations, societies,
6 or companies.

Sect. 8. The owner of any stallion used for public service
2 in this state, shall post and keep affixed during the entire
3 breeding season, a correct printed copy of the enrollment
4 certificate of such stallion issued under the provisions of
5 the next succeeding sections, in a conspicuous place both
6 within and upon the outside of his home stable and the horse
7 stable or building of every other farm or place where the
8 said stallion is used for public service.

Sect. 9. The enrollment certificate issued for a stallion
2 whose sire and dam are of pure breeding and the pedigree
3 of which is registered in a stud book recognized by the Stal-
4 lion Registration Board shall be in the following form:

STATE OF MAINE.

STALLION REGISTRATION BOARD.

Certificate of Pure Bred Stallion No.

The pedigree of the (breed).....Stallion (name
 9 and number).....Owned by.....P. O.....
 10 Co.....Color and marks.....Foaled
 11 in.....has been examined by the Stallion Registra-
 12 tion Board and it is hereby certified that the said stallion is
 13 of Pure Breeding, and is registered in a stud book recognized
 14 by the said board.

The above named stallion has been examined by.....,
 16 a legally qualified veterinarian, and by him found to be
 17 sound.

..... Commissioner of Agriculture.
 Live Stock Sanitary Commissioner.
 Dean, College of Agriculture.

21 Dated at Augusta, Maine, this.....day of.....19..

Sect. 10. The enrollment certificate issued for a stallion
 2 whose sire or dam is not of pure breeding shall be in the
 3 following form:

STATE OF MAINE.

STALLION REGISTRATION BOARD.

Certificate of Grade Stallion No.

The pedigree of the grade (breed).....Stallion
 8 (named)..... Owned by..... P. O.....
 9 Co.....Color and marks.....Foaled
 10 in.....Sire or dam (name and number).....

11 has been examined by the Stallion Registration Board and
 12 it is found that the said stallion is not of pure breeding and
 13 is, therefore, not eligible for registration in any stud book
 14 recognized by the said board.

The above named stallion has been examined by.....,
 16 a legally qualified veterinarian, and by him found to be
 17 sound.

..... Commissioner of Agriculture.
 Live Stock Sanitary Commissioner.
 Dean, College of Agriculture.

21 Dated at Augusta, Maine, this.....day of.....19..

Sect. 11. The enrollment certificate issued for a stallion
 2 whose sire and dam are pure bred, but not of the same
 3 breed, shall be in the following form:

STATE OF MAINE.

STALLION REGISTRATION BOARD.

Certificate of Cross Bred Stallion No.

The pedigree of the (breed).....cross bred stallion
 8 (named)..... Owned by..... P. O.....
 9 Co.....Color and marks.....Foaled in.....
 10 has been examined by the Stallion Registration Board and it
 11 is found that his sire is registered in the.....and his
 12 dam in the.....and the said stallion is, therefor, not
 13 eligible for registration in any stud book recognized by the
 14 said board.

The above named stallion has been examined by.....,
16 a legally qualified veterinarian, and by him found to be
17 sound.

- Commissioner of Agriculture.
- Live Stock Sanitary Commissioner.
- Dean, College of Agriculture.

21 Dated at Augusta, Maine, this.....day of..... 19..

Sect. 12. The enrollment certificate issued for a Non-
2 Standard Bred Stallion shall be in the following form :

STATE OF MAINE.

STALLION REGISTRATION BOARD.

Certificate of Non-Standard Bred Stallion No.

The pedigree of the Non-Standard Bred (breed).....
7 Stallion (named).....Owned by.....P. O.....
8 Co.....Color and marks.....Foaled in.....
9 has been examined by the Stallion Registration Board and it
10 is found that the said stallion is not eligible for registration
11 as standard bred, and for the purposes of this certificate is
12 not pure bred, although recorded in the Non-Standard de-
13 partment of the American Trotting Register.

The above named stallion has been examined by.....,
15 a legally qualified veterinarian, and by him found to be
16 sound.

- Commissioner of Agriculture.
- Live Stock Sanitary Commissioner.
- Dean, College of Agriculture.

20 Dated at Augusta, Maine, this.....day of.....19..

Sect. 13. The enrollment certificate for a stallion that has
 2 neither sire nor dam of pure breeding, shall be in the fol-
 3 lowing form:

STATE OF MAINE.

STALLION REGISTRATION BOARD.

Certificate of Mongrel or Scrub Stallion No.

The breeding of the stallion (named) Owned
 8 by P. O. Co. Color and
 9 marks Foaled in has been examined by
 10 the Stallion Registration Board and it is found that the said
 11 stallion is of mongrel or scrub breeding and is, therefore,
 12 not eligible for registration in any stud book recognized by
 13 the said board.

The above named stallion has been examined by,
 15 a legally qualified veterinarian, and by him found to be
 16 sound.

. Commissioner of Agriculture.

. Live Stock Sanitary Commissioner.

. Dean, College of Agriculture.

20 Dated at Augusta, Maine, this day of 19. .

Sect. 14. Each bill and poster issued by the owner of
 2 any stallion enrolled under this act, or used by him or his
 3 agent, for advertising such stallion, shall contain a correct
 4 copy of the stallion's certificate of enrollment printed in
 5 bold-faced Roman type not smaller than long primer (ten-
 6 point) on said bill or poster, and the first mention thereon
 7 of the name of the stallion shall be preceded by the words

8 "pure bred," "grade," "cross bred," "non-standard bred,"
9 or "mongrel or scrub," in accordance with the wording of
10 the certificate of enrollment, and printed in type not smaller
11 than the largest type in which the name of the said stallion
12 shall be printed on said bill or poster in any place what-
13 soever; and it shall be illegal to print upon the said bill or
14 poster any misleading reference to the breeding of the stal-
15 lion, his sire or his dam, or to use upon such bill or poster
16 or in any other advertising matter the portrait of a stallion
17 in a misleading way; and each newspaper advertisement,
18 post card, circular letter, or other form of advertising of
19 a stallion for public service shall show the enrollment cer-
20 tificate number and state whether the stallion is "pure bred,"
21 "grade," "cross-bred," "non-standard bred," or "mongrel
22 or scrub."

Sect. 15. A fee of two dollars shall be paid to the Stal-
2 lion Registration Board for the examination and enrollment
3 of each pedigree and for the issuance of a certificate of
4 enrollment, in accordance with the breeding of the stallion
5 as above provided; and all enrollment certificates shall ex-
6 pire on the first of January of each year, following date
7 of issuance, and must be renewed annually before the first
8 of April following, and a fee of fifty cents shall be paid
9 to the Stallion Registration Board for said renewal of cer-
10 tificate.

Sect. 16. Upon a transfer of the ownership of any stal-
2 lion enrolled under the provisions of this act, the certificate

3 of enrollment may be transferred to the transferee by the
4 Stallion Registration Board upon submittal of satisfactory
5 proof of such transfer and upon payment of the fee of fifty
6 cents; and a fee of fifty cents shall be paid for a duplicate
7 license certificate issued where proof is given of loss or
8 destruction of the original certificate.

Sect. 17. The Stallion Registration Board shall make an
2 annual report to the governor and sufficient copies of said
3 report shall be printed for general distribution to horse
4 breeders and other interested parties. Their report shall
5 include an account of all moneys received and disbursed.

Sect. 18. Violation of any of the provisions of this act
2 is hereby made a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a
3 fine not less than ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars or
4 by imprisonment in the county jail not more than sixty
5 days or by both such fine and imprisonment; and it is here-
6 by made the duty of the county attorney of the county in
7 which the violation takes place to prosecute the action.

Sect. 19. Section 41 of chapter 39 of the revised statutes
2 is hereby repealed.

Sect. 20. Expenses properly incurred in carrying out the
2 provisions of this act shall be paid out of the funds allotted
3 to the department of agriculture, and all funds received
4 shall be turned over to the state treasurer and be by him
5 credited to the department of agriculture.

Sect. 21. This act shall become effective January 1, 1916.