

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 539

House of Representatives, March 9, 1917.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture and five hundred copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Cushman of Auburn.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend Chapter 38, Section 7, Revised Statutes of 1916, relating to licenses of agents and dealers in nursery stock.

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

Chapter 38, Section 7, Revised Statutes, is hereby amended
2 by striking out the word "growers" in the first line of said
3 section and inserting in place thereof the words 'those grow-
4 ing all the nursery stock they sell' and inserting between the
5 word "stock" and the word "fees" in the fourteenth line of
6 said section the following words 'each separate agent and

7 each separate store acting under a general agent or store must
8 have a license as provided in this section,' so that said section
9 as amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 7. No person, firm or corporation, excepting those
2 growing all the nursery stock they sell, shall engage in,
3 continue in, or carry on the business of selling or dealing
4 in nursery stock, or solicit purchases of nursery stock within
5 this state, either as owner thereof, or as agent of such owner,
6 without first obtaining a license to carry on and conduct such
7 business in this state. The form of license shall be pre-
8 scribed by the state horticulturist, and the licenses shall be
9 issued by him upon proper application therefor, and shall be
10 in force one year from date of issue. The license fee shall
11 be five dollars a year for agents, dealers, salesmen or solici-
12 tors. The license shall be issued in the name of the dealer,
13 solicitor, salesman or agent, as the case may be, and no li-
14 cense shall be assigned or transferred. Licenses of sales-
15 men, dealers, agents or solicitors shall show the name and
16 location of nursery and place of business of the nurserymen
17 or tree dealers whom they represent or from whom they pur-
18 chase their stock. Each separate agent and each separate
19 store acting under a general agent or store must have a li-
20 cense as provided in this section. Fees obtained from such
21 licenses shall be paid into the state treasury and added to the
22 appropriation of the bureau of horticulture, and shall be used
23 exclusively for the inspection of nursery stock introduced
24 into the state from outside the state. Such license may be

25 revoked at any time for failure to comply with the aforesaid
26 requirements, or for such other causes as may in the opinion
27 of the commissioner of agriculture be sufficient. Any viola-
28 tion of this section shall be punishable by a fine of not less
29 than ten, nor more than fifty dollars for each offense.'