

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 84

In Senate, Feb. 2, 1917.

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

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

Presented by Mr. Davies of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend Section One of Chapter Thirty-four of the Revised Statutes of Nineteen Hundred and Sixteen, Relative to the State Department of Agriculture.

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

Section one of chapter thirty-four of the revised statutes 2 is hereby amended by adding the following words:

'The commissioner of agriculture may, with the approval 2 of the governor and council, appoint a deputy commissioner 3 of agriculture, who shall be the chief of one of the depart- 4 ment bureaus in the department of agriculture and shall 5 perform the duties of the commissioner of agriculture dur-

6 ing his absence, in addition to his duties as chief of a de-
7 partment bureau. The deputy commissioner shall hold
8 office during good behavior, and his compensation and ex-
9 penses shall be paid from any funds appropriated for the
10 use of the department bureau of which he is chief,' so that
11 said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Section 1. A state department of agriculture shall be
2 maintained for the improvement of agriculture and the ad-
3 vancement of the interests of husbandry. A commissioner
4 of agriculture shall be elected biennially by the legislature
5 by joint ballot of the senators and representatives in con-
6 vention and shall hold his office for the term of two years
7 and until his successor is elected and qualified. He shall
8 give bond in the sum of ten thousand dollars to the state,
9 with sufficient sureties, or with a surety company author-
10 ized to do business in the state, as surety, to be approved
11 by the treasurer of state, conditioned to faithfully account
12 for all moneys received and disbursed by him as said com-
13 missioner.

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Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.