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CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Baxter of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relative to the Quality of Gasolene Sold at Retail.

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

Section I. The Public Utilities Commission is hereby 2 authorized and directed to investigate the quality of gaso-3 lene sold at retail in this state and to prescribe standards for 4 the same. The standards so established shall be promul-5 gated by circulars sent to all gasolene dealers in the state, so 6 far as they can be ascertained, and by publication in the 7 newspapers or otherwise as the commission may deem best. 8 The said standards shall be determined and promulgated as 9 aforesaid on or before the fifteenth day of July in the cur-10 rent year, and it shall be unlawful for any person to sell at

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11 retail in this state any gasolene which falls below the stand-12 ards so established. Violation of the provisions of his sec-13 tion shall be punished by a fine of not less than five nor14 more than five hundred dollars for each offence.

Sect. 2. It shall be the duty of the attorney-general and 2 of the several county attorneys to investigate any alleged 3 case of the violation of the standards established hereunder, 4 and to prosecute any persons, firms or corporations guilty of 5 such violation.

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