

EIGHTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

S. P. No. 188

S. D. No. 74

In Senate, Feb. 13, 1925.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Lord of York.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Amend Section Five of Chapter Thirty-seven of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Chapter Sixty-six of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Nineteen, Relating to the Registration of Milk Dealers.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:
Section five of chapter thirty-seven of the revised stat2 utes, as amended by chapter sixty-six of the public laws of
3 nineteen hundred and nineteen, is hereby amended by add4 ing immediately after the words, "and the reason given for
5 cancellation" in the thirty-fifth line thereof the following:
6 'or who shall himself or by his servant or agent, sell or
7 deliver or have in his custody or possession with intent to

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8 sell or deliver any milk after having been refused the afore-9 said certificate of registration by the commissioner of agri-10 culture,' so that said section as amended shall read as fol-11 lows:

'Sect. 5. Any person, firm, corporation, association or 2 society who shall sell or deliver milk or cream as a busi-3 ness to any person from a wagon or other conveyance, 4 depot or store, or who shall sell or deliver milk to a hotel, 5 restaurant, boarding-house or any public place, shall be con-6 sidered a milk dealer within the meaning of this section, 7 and shall on or before the first day of April in each year, 8 apply to the commissioner of agriculture for registration, 9 furnishing such information as may be required, upon 10 blanks issued and furnished by the commissioner to such 11 persons as may request the same. Every such registration 12 shall expire on the first day of April, next after its issue, 13 and shall be granted only to the milk dealer owning or leas-14 ing the vehicle or place from which sales or supplies are 15 to be made, and shall not be transferred. Upon receipt of 16 the application for registration, containing the information 17 required, and upon being satisfied that all milk is being 18 produced and handled in a sanitary way and is from cows 19 free from disease, the commissioner shall issue to the ap-20 licant a certificate of registration, which certificate shall 21 be posted in a conspicuous place in the store or depot from 22 which sale or supply is made, and the number of the cer-23 tificate of registration for each wagon or other vehicle shall

24 be placed in a conspicuous place on said wagon or other 25 vehicle. The commissioner may cancel the certificate of 26 any dealer, who, after due hearing on complaint by the 27 commissioner or his authorized agent, is found to be sell-28 ing milk produced or handled under unsanitary conditions 29 or milk from diseased cows. If any person, firm, corpo-30 ration, association or society desires to become a milk 31 dealer, as provided by this section, before the first day of 32 April in any year, he or they shall, prior to engaging in 33 the business, register with the commissioner of agriculture 34 in the manner hereinbefore provided, for each place or ve-35 hicle from which sale or supply is to be made. Any dealer 36 who neglects or refuses to register with the commissioner 37 of agriculture, or to post certificates of registration in the 38 store or depot from which sale or supply is made, or to 39 post the number of the certificate of registration on the 40 wagon or other vehicle from which sale or supply is made, 41 as provided in this section, or to surrender his certificate 42 to the commissioner when notified in writing that the same 43 has been cancelled, and the reason given for cancellation, 44 or who shall himself or by his servant or agent, sell or de-45 liver or have in his custody or possession with intent to 46 sell or deliver any milk after having been refused the afore-47 said certificate of registration by the commissioner of agri-48 culture, forfeits fifty dollars to be recovered in an action 49 of debt, to be prosecuted in the name of the state by the 50 county attorney for the county in which such violation has

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51 occurred; but the provisions of this section shall not apply52 to milk or cream delivered to a creamery or butter or cheese53 factory.'