

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT

EIGHTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

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No. 408

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CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Define "Storage Eggs" and "Processed Eggs" and
to Regulate Certain Details of the Sale and Distribution of
the Same.

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

Section 1. The term "Storage Eggs" as used in this act
2 shall be held to mean any shell eggs that for a period of
3 thirty days or over, have been held in storage at a tempera-
4 ture of forty-five degrees Fahrenheit, or less.

The term "Processed Eggs" shall be held to mean any
2 shell eggs which in a way other than storage, have been so
3 treated as to keep them from natural deterioration.

Sect. 2. Any person, firm or corporation who exposes or
2 offers for sale, either in any public place or elsewhere, any

3 shell eggs which have been in storage or which in any way
4 have been processed, shall conspicuously display upon the
5 receptacle in which such shell eggs are offered for sale, or
6 upon the package in which they are delivered to the pur-
7 chaser, a notice containing the words "Cold Storage Eggs"
8 or "Processed Eggs" in accordance with the fact; and in
9 case any shell eggs which have been in storage or which have
10 been processed are exposed for sale or offered for sale, in
11 a manner which does not require a receptacle or package,
12 the purchaser shall be informed definitely that such shell
13 eggs are either cold storage or processed eggs, to the end
14 that the purchaser may have knowledge of the facts with
15 reference to the storage or processing of such eggs.

Sect. 3. No person, firm, or corporation, selling or expos-
2 ing for sale any shell eggs which have been in storage or in
3 any way processed, shall use the word "fresh" in any com-
4 bination of words to describe the character or value of
5 such eggs.

Sect. 4. Whenever any person, firm or corporation within
2 the state of Maine, ships or delivers to a purchaser within
3 the state of Maine, any shell eggs which have been in
4 storage or processed, such person, firm or corporation shall
5 deliver to the purchaser an invoice or bill showing thereon
6 the character of such eggs.

Sect. 5. Any person, firm or corporation who violates any
2 provision of this act shall, upon conviction, be liable to a
3 fine of not more than fifty dollars (\$50.00), or imprison-

4 ment of not more than sixty days, or both, and jurisdiction
5 upon the several municipal courts of the state for trial and
6 punishment of offenses under this act is hereby expressly
7 confirmed, and the commissioner of agriculture is expressly
8 empowered to enforce the provisions of the act and to be
9 vigilant in discovering violations hereof, and making com-
10 plaint to the proper authorities.

Sect. 6. Section thirteen of chapter one hundred and
2 thirty of the revised statutes is hereby repealed.