

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

Senate Document

No. 267

S. P. 525

In Senate, Mar. 22, 1927.

Reported by Senator Bragdon from Committee on Temperance and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Oakes of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Regulate the Sale of Cider.

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

Section 1. The sale of new cider which shall not have
2 so far advanced in the natural process of fermentation as
3 to contain more than one-half of one per cent of alcohol
4 by volume, is hereby declared to be lawful.

Sect. 2. The sale of cider which shall contain more than
2 one-half of one per cent of alcohol by volume is hereby
3 declared to be unlawful, except that it may be sold to
4 manufacturers of vinegar to be used in the manufacture of
5 vinegar and for no other purpose. Manufacturers of vine-
6 gar shall make use of cider purchased by them as authorized

7 by this section in the manufacture of vinegar, and for no
8 other purpose, and shall keep a record of all such purchases
9 of cider, which shall be retained by them and which shall
10 be open at all reasonable times to the inspection of any
11 officer charged with the duty of the enforcement of law,
12 for a period of three years from the date of such purchase,
13 and which shall show as to each purchase, its date, the
14 quantity purchased, the price at which purchased, and the
15 name and address of the seller.

Sect. 3. Whoever is convicted of violation of any of the
2 provisions of this act shall be punished by a fine of not less
3 than one hundred dollars nor more than five hundred dollars
4 and costs and in addition thereto be imprisoned for not
5 less than two nor more than six months, and in default of
6 payment of said fine and costs he shall be imprisoned not
7 less than two nor more than six months additional, and on
8 each subsequent conviction he shall be punished by a fine
9 of five hundred dollars and costs, and in addition thereto
10 be imprisoned six months, and in default of payment of
11 said fine and costs he shall be imprisoned six months addi-
12 tional, provided that in case of violation of the provisions
13 relating to the making and keeping of record of purchases
14 punishment by imprisonment shall be in the discretion of
15 the court.

Sect. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the
2 provisions of this act are hereby repealed.