

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

House Document

No. 544

H. P. 1519 House of Representatives, March 1, 1929.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture and 500 copies ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Farris of Augusta.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to the Packing and Grading of Apples.

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

Section 1. Section twenty-seven under paragraph heading "Size Requirements" in chapter thirty-six of the revised statutes of nineteen hundred sixteen as amended by chapter one hundred and seven of the public laws of nineteen hundred twenty-five is hereby amended by striking out all of the sentence in the third line thereof after the word "end," beginning "minimum sizes" and inserting in place thereof the following: 'Minimum sizes shall be stated in terms of whole and eighth inches, whole and one-quarter inches, whole and one-half inches; as two and one-quarter

11 inches minimum, two and seven-eighths inches minimum,
12 two and one-half inches minimum, in accordance with the
13 facts,' so that said paragraph of said section twenty-seven
14 as amended shall read as follows:

SIZE REQUIREMENTS

“Minimum size” as used in this chapter means the trans-
2 verse diameter of the smallest apples permitted in the con-
3 tainer taken at right angles to a line running from the stem
4 to the blossom end. Minimum sizes shall be stated in
5 terms of whole and eighth inches, whole and one-quarter
6 inches, whole and one-half inches; as two and one-quarter
7 inches minimum, two and seven-eighths inches minimum,
8 two and one-half inches minimum, in accordance with the
9 facts.’

Sect. 2. Section twenty-eight of chapter thirty-six of the
2 revised statutes of nineteen hundred sixteen as amended by
3 chapter one hundred and seven of the public laws of nine-
4 teen hundred twenty-five is hereby amended by adding at
5 the end of said section thereto the following: ‘Provided,
6 however, if closed packages of apples are plainly and con-
7 spicuously marked in terms of numerical count as to con-
8 tents, marks on the package indicating size of said package
9 shall not be required,’ so that said section as amended shall
10 read as follows:

‘Every closed package of apples, which is packed, sold,
2 distributed, transported, offered or exposed for sale, dis-
3 tribution or transportation in the state by any person shall

4 have affixed in a conspicuous place on the outside thereof
5 a plainly printed statement clearly and truly stating the
6 size of the package in terms of standard bushel box or
7 standard barrel, the name and address of the owner or
8 shipper of the apples at the time of packing, the name of
9 the variety, the class or grade of the apples contained
10 therein, and the minimum size of the fruit in the packages,
11 and if the apples were grown in Maine, that fact shall be
12 plainly designated and the word apples must appear in all
13 instances. Provided, however, if closed packages of apples
14 are plainly and conspicuously marked in terms of numeri-
15 cal count as to contents, marks on the package indicating
16 size of said package shall not be required.'