## MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## EIGHTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

No. 568

H. P. 1036 House of Representatives, Feb. 13, 1931.

Referred to Committee on Public Health and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Church of Hallowell.

## STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to Plumbing Regulations.

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

Section I. Plumbing regulations. Section one hundred twenty-one of chapter twenty-two of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section and inserting in place thereof the following section:

'Sec. 121. Every city or town having water supply or sewerage system to prescribe regulations. Each city or town which has therein a system of water supply or sewerage shall by ordinance or by-law, prescribe regulations for the materials, construction, alteration and inspection of all pipes, tanks, faucets, valves and other fixtures by and through which waste or sewerage is used and carried; and shall provide that such pipes, tanks, faucets, valves or other fixtures shall not be placed in any building in such city or town, except to repair leaks, without a permit first being issued therefor, and upon such terms and conditions as such cities and towns shall prescribe.

Any ordinance or by-law adopted under the provisions of this section shall not be subject to revision or approval by any other department or official in the state; except, that when the charter of any city shall provide for any approval of its ordinances or by-laws this provision shall not be construed as affecting such approval.

- Sec. 2. Exception from regulations. Section twelve of chapter twenty-two of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting in the second line of said section after the word "regulations" the words ', except plumbing regulations,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:
- 'Sec. 12. State department to promulgate rules and regulations; in case of epidemics. The state department of health shall from time to time make and publish such orders and regulations, except plumbing regulations, as it shall think necessary and proper for the protection of life and health and the successful operation of the health laws of this state, which said orders and regulations shall be published in such manner as said department of health directs. In case of emergency or threatened epidemic of disease which may affect more than one city, town, or plantation, the state department of health, if it shall appear to it necessary and proper for the protection of life and health, may make such further orders and regulations as in its opinion the public exigency may require.'