

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NO. 390

S. P. 262

In Senate, Feb. 2, 1933.

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

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Weeks of Somerset.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-
THREE

AN ACT Penalizing the Fraudulent Operation of Slot Machines, Coin-
Box Telephones and Other Coin Receptacles, and the Manufacture and
Sale of Devices Intended to be Used in Such Operation.

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

Section 1. Fraudulent operation of slot machines, etc., penalized. Whoever operates or causes to be operated, or attempts to operate or to cause to be operated, any automatic vending machine, slot machine, turnstile, coin-box telephone or other receptacle designed to receive lawful coin of the United States in connection with the sale, use or enjoyment of property, transportation or other service, by means of a slug or any false, counterfeited, mutilated or sweated coin or by any means, method, trick or device whatsoever not lawfully authorized by the owner, lessee or licensee of such machine, turnstile, coin-box telephone or receptacle; or whoever takes, obtains or receives from or in connection with any automatic vending machine, slot machine, turnstile, coin-box telephone or other receptacle designed to receive lawful coin of the United States in connection with the sale, use of or enjoyment of property or service, any goods, wares, merchandise, transportation, gas, electric current, article of value, or the use or enjoyment of any transportation or any telephone or telegraph facilities or service, or of any musical instrument, phonograph or other property, without depositing in and surrendering to such machine, turnstile, coin-box tele-

phone or other receptacle lawful coin to the amount required therefor by the owner, lessee or licensee of such machine, turnstile, coin-box telephone or receptacle, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100 or by imprisonment in jail for not more than 30 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Sec. 2. Manufacture, etc., of fraudulent devices penalized. Whoever manufactures for sale, advertises for sale, sells, offers for sale, or gives away any slug, device or substance whatsoever, designed or calculated to be placed or deposited in any automatic vending machine, slot machine, turnstile, coin-box telephone or other such receptacle, depository or contrivance, designed to receive lawful coin of the United States in connection with the sale, use or enjoyment of property or service, with the intent or having cause to believe that such slug, device or substance shall or will be used to cheat or defraud the person entitled to the contents of any such machine, turnstile, coin-box telephone or other such receptacle, depository or contrivance, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500, or by imprisonment in jail for not more than 11 months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.