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**Legislative Document**

**No. 513**

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S. P. 298

In Senate, Feb. 8, 1933.

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

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Weymouth of Penobscot.

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## S T A T E   O F   M A I N E

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-  
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AN ACT Providing for the Branding of Commercial Fertilizer.

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

**R. S. c. 41, § 14, amended.** Section 14 of chapter 41 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows :

**'Sec. 14. Sale and manufacture of commercial fertilizer, regulated ; registration fee.** Any person who shall manufacture, sell, distribute, transport, offer or expose for sale, distribution, or transportation in the state any commercial fertilizer shall before so doing file with the commissioner of agriculture for each and every fertilizer bearing a distinguishing name or trade-mark, a certified copy of the statements named in section twelve. **Said certified copy shall also contain a definite statement relative to the minimum percentage of nitrogen contained in the fertilizer guaranteed and registered. It shall state specifically the percentage of nitrogen present in the form of organic nitrogen, the percentage present in the form of mineral chemicals such as nitrates, and the percentage present as ammonium salts.** Said certified copy shall be accompanied when said commissioner shall so request with a sealed package containing not less than two pounds of the commercial fertilizer. The person who shall file said certificate shall pay annually to the commissioner of agriculture a registration fee as follows : Ten dollars each for the nitrogen and the phosphoric acid and five dollars for the potash contained or said to be contained in the fertilizer, this fee

to be assessed on any brand offered for sale, distribution or transportation in the state. Whenever any person shall have filed said certificate and paid said registration fee, no other person shall be required to file such statement or pay such fee.