

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 1085.

House of Representatives, Feb. 8, 1933.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Lord of Lebanon.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-  
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AN ACT Relating to Testing of Live Stock for Tuberculosis.

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

**R. S. c. 40, § 21, amended.** Section 21 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

**'Sec. 21. Commissioner of agriculture authorized to enter premises to make tests; to quarantine animals and premises; to require slaughter of animals.** For the protection of the public health and to prevent the infection of the live stock of the state with contagious disease, the commissioner of agriculture, the chief of the division of animal industry or any of their duly authorized agents are hereby empowered to enter upon any premises at any time ~~and test for tuberculosis where live stock is or may be kept and may test for tuberculosis~~ or other contagious disease, by any reputable method, any animal found thereon; and should any such animal be found to be infected with tuberculosis or other contagious disease, the commissioner of agriculture or his agent shall have power to quarantine such animal and all premises and such other animals as the commissioner or his agent may deem necessary in order to prevent the spread of the disease. The commissioner of agriculture or his agent is empowered to require the slaughter and disposal of any animals found to be infected with tuberculosis or other contagious disease as provided in section two of this chapter.'