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House of Representatives, Dec. 5, 1933.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Osgood of Fryeburg.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND THIRTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to the Licensing of Operators of Milk Gathering Stations.

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

P. L., 1933, c. 210, § 2, amended. The first paragraph of section 2 of chapter 210 of the public laws of 1933 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 2. Buying and selling milk, regulated. No person, firm, association or corporation, shall buy milk or cream within the state from producers for the purpose of sale or resale, or for manufacture, or for shipping the same to any city for consumption unless such business be regularly transacted at an office or station within the state and unless such person, firm, association or corporation, before engaging or continuing in the business of buying milk or cream for the purpose aforesaid, shall annually on or before the 1st day of December in each year file an application with the commissioner of agriculture for a license to transact such business. The application shall state the nature of the business, as hereinabove set forth, the full name of the person or corporation applying for the license, and, if the applicant be a firm or association, the full name of each member of such firm, or association, the city, town or village and street number at which the business is to be conducted, and such other facts as the com-

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missioner shall prescribe. The applicant shall further satisfy the commissioner of his or its character, financial responsibility and good faith in seeking to carry on such business. The commissioner shall thereupon issue to such applicant, on payment of \$5, a license entitling the applicant to conduct the business of buying milk and cream from producers for the purpose aforesaid at an office or station at the place named in the application until the 1st day of January next following: provided, however, that if the application be presented in the month of December, and if the applicant so elects, such license may be granted to begin on the 1st day of January next following and run for a term of I year. A license shall not be issued, however, to any applicant if during the year preceding the filing of the application a complaint from any producer and seller of milk or cream shall have been filed with the commissioner against such applicant for any of the grounds specified in section 4 hereof, and such complaint shall have been established as true and just to the satisfaction of the commissioner after such complaint shall have been investigated by the commissioner in the manner provided by this act. A license shall not be issued as provided in this section, unless the applicant for such license shall file with the application a good and sufficient surety bond, executed by a surety company, duly authorized to transact business in this state, in a sum not less than \$2,000, \$500, or shall be relieved from such requirements as provided herein. Such bond shall be approved as to its form and sufficiency by the commissioner.'