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Legislative Document

No. 667

H. P. 1474

House of Representatives, February 16, 1937.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture. Sent up for concurrence and 1000 copies ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Payson of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Testing Computing Weights or Measures.

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

R. S., c. 53, § 14, amended. Section 14 of chapter 53 as amended by public laws of 1933, section 3 of chapter 200, is hereby amended to read, as follows:

'Sec. 14. Sealers to give notice of times and place sealing weights and measures. The sealers of weights and measures in the several cities and towns shall annually give public notice by advertisement, or by posting in 1 or more public places in their respective cities and towns notices to all inhabitants or persons having usual places of business therein and who use weights, measures, or **who use weighing devices, measuring devices, or weighing or measuring devices having a device for indicating or registering the price as well as the weight or measure of a commodity for the purpose of buying** or selling goods, wares, merchandise, or other commodities or for public weighing, or for hire, or reward, to bring them in to be tested. Such sealers shall attend one or more convenient places, and shall seal or condemn such devices in accordance with the result of their test, and shall make a record thereof.'

‘Sec. 15. Sealers to visit persons who neglect to comply with the law. After giving said notice said sealers shall go once a year or oftener on request of the owner or on complaint to the stores, houses, places of business, and vehicles of persons not complying therewith, and shall test and seal or condemn in accordance with the result of their tests, the weighing, **measuring devices, or the devices which register or indicate the price as well as the weight or measure** of such persons, provided that when a vehicle tank used in the buying or selling of commodities by liquid measures has once been sealed it shall not be necessary to seal it again while it remains in the same condition as when first sealed. When a vehicle tank is subdivided into 2 or more compartments, each compartment, for the purposes of this section shall be considered as a separate tank.’

‘Sec. 23. Scales to be sealed before use. No person, firm or corporation shall use any weights, measures, scales, steelyards, beams, or other weighing or measuring device or balances **or any weighing or measuring devices having a device for indicating or registering the price, as well as the weight or measure of a commodity,** except meters for measuring water, gas or electricity supplied by companies subject to regulation by the public utilities commission, until they are sealed by a public sealer of weights and measures. Whoever violates any of the provisions of this section shall be punished by the penalties provided for in section 25 of chapter 53.’