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House of Representatives, January 22, 1941.

Referred to Committee on Temperance and sent up for concurrence.
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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Mills of Farmington.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to the Enforcement of the Liquor Laws.

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

P. L., 1937, c. 237, § 24, as amended, amended. Section 24 of chapter 237 of the public laws of 1937 as reenacted by chapter 247 of the public laws of 1937 is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof.

‘Sec. 24. Enforcement division under supervision of the chief of state police. An enforcement division shall be organized within the department of the state police by the chief of state police. It shall be the duty of the division to enforce the liquor laws and the regulations of the liquor commission which have the force of law and to cooperate with county and municipal law enforcement agencies.

‘Sec. 24-A. Chief of state police to appoint inspectors. The chief of the state police shall appoint as many inspectors as may from time to time be found necessary. Said inspectors shall be under the direct supervision of the chief of state police and shall hold office at the pleasure of the said chief of state police. Their compensation shall be fixed by him subject to the approval of the governor.

‘Sec. 24-B. Duties of inspectors. Liquor inspectors shall be charged with the duty of enforcing all laws pertaining to the sale, possession, manufacture, and transportation of intoxicating liquors; the conduct of drinking houses, state liquor stores and the places of business of all licensees holding licenses under the state liquor commission. They shall have the same powers and duties throughout the several counties of the state as sheriffs have in their respective counties in connection with carrying out their duties as herein specified.

‘Sec. 24-C. Expense of division. Salaries of inspectors and all necessary expenses of the division of inspection shall be charged to and become a part of the expenses of the liquor commission. All records dealing with inspections and law enforcement work before the effective date of this act shall be made available to the chief of state police at his request. The chief of state police and liquor inspectors may at the request of the chief of state police have reasonable office space provided by the liquor commission at the office building maintained by the said liquor commission.’