

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 517**

S. P. 310.

In Senate, February 6, 1941.

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

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Farris of Kennebec.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-ONE

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**AN ACT to Aid and Protect Crop Mortgages.**

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

**Sec. 1. Transportation of crops.** Any person, firm or corporation owning or operating, or causing to be operated, any motor vehicle and which transports, at any one time, over the highways of this state more than 1,000 pounds of fresh fruits or vegetables (hereinafter called "goods") to points within or without the state which are more than 15 miles from the point where such goods are loaded to the motor vehicle, and whether or not for further transportation by rail or water, shall make out and sign, or cause to be made out and signed, in triplicate, a manifest for such goods; one copy of the manifest shall be retained by the owner of the goods, one by the person transporting the goods or causing the same to be transported, and the third copy filed with the town or city clerk in the town or city where the goods are loaded to the motor vehicle or filed with the clerk of the county commissioners if the goods are loaded at a place not in a town or city; the manifests so filed with the town or city clerk or the clerk of the county commissioners shall be public records, shall be kept in special binders or filing boxes, and shall be preserved for three years. All manifests shall show the name and address of the owner of the goods, the quantity and quality of the goods, the place where loaded to the motor

vehicle, the name and address of the purchaser and of the consignee, and the name and address of the owner of the motor vehicle in which the goods are transported. The copy of the manifest to be filed with the town or city clerk or with the clerk of the county commissioners shall be so filed, either by personal delivery, or by deposit, postage prepaid, in the United States mail, within 24 hours after the goods have been loaded to the motor vehicle.

**Sec. 2. Penalty.** No person shall transport, and no person, firm or corporation shall cause the transportation of, goods of the kind and in the manner specified in the preceding section, when he knows, or has substantial reason to believe, that the goods are being shipped or moved contrary to the provisions of a crop mortgage thereon. Any person knowingly transporting, or knowingly causing to be transported, goods of the kind and in the manner specified in the preceding section and contrary to the provisions of a crop mortgage thereon shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$50 and not over \$300 for each offense.

**Sec. 3. Failure to file manifest, penalty.** Any person failing to file with the town or city clerk or the clerk of the county commissioners the manifest required to be filed by section 1 hereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$10 and not over \$100 for each offense.