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House of Representatives, January 25, 1945.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Meloon of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to the Bee Industry.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 27, § 153, amended. Section 153 of chapter 27 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows :

'Sec. 153. Possession or sale of diseased bees or equipment. It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly own or possess bees having any contagious or infectious disease, or bee equipment and appliances contaminated thereby, without a ~~permit~~ **certificate of inspection** from a bee inspector. It shall be unlawful to sell, barter, or give away bees, equipment, or appliances from any apiary which contains bees having an infectious or contagious disease without a ~~permit~~ **certificate of inspection** from a bee inspector when the owner or manager thereof knows, or has reason to suspect, the presence of such disease therein.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 27, § 155, amended. Section 155 of chapter 27 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows :

'Sec. 155. Notification to commissioner. All persons owning bees within the state shall **annually** notify the commissioner of the keeping of bees and the location thereof. The information shall be made on blanks furnished by the commissioner.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 27, § 155-A, additional. Chapter 27 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 155-A to read as follows:

'Sec. 155-A. Tax assessors shall list all persons keeping bees. The tax assessors of any city, town or plantation, shall list all persons keeping bees and forward a copy of said list to the commissioner.'