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House of Representatives, February 16, 1949.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Burgess of Rockland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to the Licenses of Buildings for Dancing Purposes.

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

R. S., c. 88, § 53-A, amended. Section 53-A of chapter 88 of the revised statutes, as enacted by chapter 272 of the public laws of 1947, is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new paragraph to read as follows :

‘Buildings or parts thereof for dancing purposes to be licensed. Whoever desires to use any building or parts thereof for dancing purposes, either habitually or occasionally, shall make application to the insurance commissioner for a license for dancing in such building or parts thereof and upon receipt of said application the insurance commissioner shall inspect or cause to be inspected such building as to its entrances, exits, fire escapes and structural safety. If as a result of such inspection he is convinced that the specifications hereinafter provided are fully complied with and that the entrances, exits and fire escapes and structural safety of such buildings are in accordance with law and regulations he may issue a license to the person desiring to use such building or parts thereof for dancing, which license shall name the owner and name of the hall, the operator and capacity of the same. A fee for such license not exceeding \$10 shall be fixed by the insurance commissioner and said fee shall lie to the town in

which said building is located. The insurance commissioner will promulgate the necessary rules and regulations relative to fire protection, fire prevention and structural accident prevention governing such buildings and the insurance commissioner may revoke such license when evidence is presented sufficient to prove that such building licensed for dancing is being conducted in a manner not consistent with the public safety. The insurance commissioner shall in the case of social, fraternal, charitable, religious and educational organizations where the proceeds of admission fees are to be devoted to the use of said organization waive the license fee.'