

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Bubar of Blaine.

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## STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-NINE

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### **AN ACT** Relating to Abandoned Wells as Nuisances.

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

**R. S., c. 128, § 7, amended.** Section 7 of chapter 128 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

**‘Sec. 7. Certain nuisances described.** The erection, continuance or use of any building or place for the exercise of a trade, employment or manufacture, which, by noxious exhalations, offensive smells or other annoyances becomes injurious and dangerous to the health, comfort or property of individuals, or of the public; **causing or permitting abandoned wells to remain unfilled or uncovered to the injury or prejudices of others;** causing or suffering any offal, filth or noisome substance to collect, or to remain in any place to the prejudice of others; obstructing or impeding, without legal authority, the passage of any navigable river, harbor or collection of water; corrupting or rendering unwholesome or impure the water of a river, stream or pond; unlawfully diverting it from its natural course or state, to the injury or prejudice of others; and the obstructing or encumbering by fences, buildings or otherwise, of highways, private ways, streets, alleys, commons, common landing places or burying-grounds are nuisances within the limitations and exceptions hereafter mentioned; and all auto-

mobile dumps or automobile graveyards, so called, where old, discarded, worn out or junked automobiles, or parts thereof, are gathered together, kept, deposited or allowed to accumulate, in such manner or in such location or situation, either within or without the limits of any highway, as to be unsightly, detracting from the natural scenery and injurious to the comfort and happiness of individuals and the public, and injurious to property rights, are declared to be public nuisances.'