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In Senate, February 1, 1951.

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

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Weeks of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-ONE

AN ACT to Clarify the Plumbing Laws.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 22, § 165, amended. Section 165 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows :

'Sec. 165. Cities and towns may prescribe plumbing regulations, subject to state minimum. Any city or town, may by ordinance or bylaws, prescribe regulations for the materials, construction, alteration and inspection of all pipes, tanks, faucets, valves and other fixtures by and through which waste or sewage is used and carried, and for the materials and sizes of pipe which carry water to all plumbing fixtures, which regulations shall provide not less than the minimum requirements of the rules and regulations of the department in relation to plumbing work, for the carrying of such waste and sewage and for the materials and sizes of pipe which carry water to all plumbing fixtures, and shall provide that such pipes, tanks, faucets, valves or other fixtures shall not be placed in any building in such city or town, **nor shall any septic tank or other system of private sewage disposal be installed to receive the drainage from such plumbing,** (except to repair leaks or replace an old fixture to be used for the same purpose) except after the issuing of a permit for the installation of such work, issued by the in-

spector of plumbing in such city or town in accordance with a written description or information on such application blanks as shall be approved and furnished to such cities or towns by the department.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 22, § 184, amended. Section 184 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 184. Exceptions. The provisions of sections 170 to 185, inclusive, shall not apply to regular employees of public utilities as defined in section 15 of chapter 40 when working as such, nor to regular employees of owners or lessees of real property when working as such, nor to persons whose occupation is the doing of miscellaneous jobs of manual labor in the course of which some incidental plumbing repairs or alterations are made by them. The provisions of sections 170 to 185, inclusive, shall not apply in cities, towns or plantations that have a population of 3,000 people or less **unless there shall be located in any such city or town a system of public water supply or sewerage.** ~~All plumbing installed by any person whatsoever shall comply with the requirements of the rules and regulations of the bureau of health relating to plumbing and to all local plumbing ordinances, but such rules, regulations, and ordinances shall not apply to privately owned premises to which neither public water nor sewerage service is available, provided that neither entertainment, meals, nor lodging be furnished the public thereon and that the disposal of sewerage therefrom may not drain into any stream or body of water designated by the bureau of health as a public water supply.'~~