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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Boothby of Livermore.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Dealers in Livestock.

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

R. S., c. 27, § 123-F, amended. Section 123-F of chapter 27 of the revised statutes, as enacted by chapter 417 of the public laws of 1949, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 123-F. Records; health certificates; sanitation of trucks and premises. Licensed livestock dealers shall keep records of transactions of cattle over 6 months of age by eartag number, or if not eartagged, by description; or by both eartag and description. They shall furnish a health certificate on all **bulls and female** cattle over 6 months of age sold to any person in the state except to recognized slaughtering establishments for immediate slaughter or to another licensed dealer.

Licensed dealers selling cattle over 6 months of age to other than recognized slaughtering establishments for immediate slaughter except as provided above shall furnish the purchaser with a health certificate showing the date of the last known test for Bang's disease and tuberculosis. If the last Bang's disease test was made over 30 days previously he shall cause the cattle to be retested. If the last tuberculosis test is unknown or was made before 3 years previous to the time of the transaction he shall cause the eattle to be retested by an accredited veterinarian. The form of health certificate and the issuance of the same shall be at the direction of the commissioner or his duly authorized agent.

A licensed dealer shall at all times keep his motor vehicles or trucks and premises in a sanitary condition. No cattle known to be affected with tubereulosis or Bang's disease shall be transported in any vehicle with other cattle except those going directly for slaughter.

All motor vehicles, trucks or other conveyances used to transport known reactors to tuberculosis and Bang's disease shall be cleaned and disinfected before being used for the transportation of any other livestock.'