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S. P. 290

In Senate, February 18, 1953.

Referred to Committee on Business Legislation. 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-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Inspections by the Insurance Commissioner.

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

R. S., c. 85, § 73, additional. Chapter 85 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 73, to read as follows :

‘Sec. 73. Owners, occupants and persons in possession; duty to submit to inspection. In all cases in which the insurance commissioner, deputy commissioner, state fire inspector or his or their qualified representatives are authorized or required to inspect buildings, grounds or equipment thereof or therein, including vehicles, it shall be the duty of the owner or occupant of the premises, or the person in possession of the equipment, to permit any such official to enter the premises, and to make such inspection as may be authorized or required. Whoever being an owner or occupant of a building or premises subject to inspection, or whoever being a person in possession of equipment, including vehicles, subject to inspection, shall unreasonably refuse to permit any such official to enter the premises to make a lawful inspection or reinspection, or whoever shall unreasonably hinder, delay or prevent such inspection or reinspection, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not more

than \$500, or by imprisonment for not more than 11 months, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Prosecution under this section shall not prevent the commissioner from utilizing any other remedy given him by law to effect the statutory purpose.'