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Referred to Committee on Labor. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Curtis of Cumberland.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-SEVEN

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AN ACT Relating to Duties of State Factory Inspector Concerning Mineral  
Producing Facilities.

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 30, § 4, amended.** Section 4 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 466 of the public laws of 1955, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

**'Sec. 4. Powers to enter manufacturing establishment.** The Commissioner as State Factory Inspector, and any authorized agent of the Department, may enter any factory or mill, **mineral producing facility**, construction activity, workshop, private works or state institutions which have shops or factories, when the same are open or in operation, for the purpose of gathering facts and statistics such as are contemplated by ~~this section and the 2 preceding sections, 2 to 4, inclusive,~~ and may examine into the methods of protection from danger to employees and the sanitary conditions in and around such buildings and places, and may make a record of such inspection.'

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 30, § 5, amended.** The first paragraph of section 5 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'If the Commissioner as State Factory Inspector, or any authorized agent of the Department, shall find upon such inspection that the heating, lighting, ventilation or sanitary arrangement of any workshops or factories **or mineral producing facilities** is such as to be injurious to the health of the persons employed or residing therein or that the fire escapes or other means of egress in case of fire or other disaster are not sufficient, or that the belting, shafting, gearing, elevators and appurtenances, drums, saws, cogs and machinery in such work-

shops and factories **or mineral producing facilities** are located or are in a condition so as to be dangerous to employees and not sufficiently guarded, or that vats, pans or any other structures, filled with or containing molten metal, hot liquids or inflammables, are not surrounded with proper safeguards for preventing accidents or injury to those employed at or near them, **or that structural support of rock in mines and quarries is insufficient to prevent injury to workers because of falling, rolling, sliding, or moving rock**, he shall notify, in writing, the owner, proprietor or agent of such workshops or factories **or mineral producing facilities** to make, within 30 days, the alterations or additions by him deemed necessary for the safety and protection of the employees.'

**Sec. 3. R. S., c. 30, § 7, amended.** Section 7 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by adding after the second paragraph thereof, a new paragraph, to read as follows:

'The term "mineral producing facility" means any mine, quarry, pit, or premises where natural ores or minerals are mined, dredged, quarried, excavated, hoisted, beneficiated, leached, roasted, smelted, or otherwise prepared for use or sale.'