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# NINETY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

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Presented by Mr. Curtis of Bowdoinham.

# STATE OF MAINE

### IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN

### AN ACT to License and Regulate Operation of Trading Stamp Companies.

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

**R. S., c. 16, §§ 282-285, additional.** Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto 4 new sections, to be numbered 282 to 285, inclusive, to read as follows:

#### 'Tax on Trading Stamp Companies.

Sec. 282. Privilege tax. Each trading stamp company or agency doing the business of selling or giving away trading stamps or like devices in any municipality in this State, shall secure a license from the State Tax Assessor before engaging in such business, and shall pay a per annum privilege tax of \$100 to the State Tax Assessor for each wholesale or retail outlet giving away its trading stamps or like devices. The State Tax Assessor shall pay over all receipts from such tax to the Treasurer of State daily.

Sec. 283. Registration fee. Every trading stamp company or agency before doing business in this State shall register with the State Tax Assessor and pay a registration fee of \$1 to said Assessor who shall issue a license to said company or agency.

Sec. 284. Separate licenses. A separate application and license shall be required of each company or agency when said company or agency shall own or control more than one place of business or outlet dealing in trading stamps.

Sec. 285. Application. The provisions of sections 282 to 284, inclusive, shall in no wise apply to merchants or manufacturers who issue and redeem their own coupons.'

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