

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

1846.

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**Chapter 191.**

An Act for the license and regulation of stationary steam engines.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

**SECTION 1.** No stationary steam engine shall hereafter be erected or put up to be used, in any city or town in this state, unless the mayor and aldermen of such city, or selectmen of such town, shall have previously granted license therefor, designating the place where the building or buildings shall be erected in which such steam engine shall be used, the materials and mode of construction thereof, the size of the boiler and furnace, and such other provisions and limitations as to the height of chimneys or flues, and protection against fire and explosion, as they shall judge necessary for the safety of the neighborhood; such license to be granted on written application, and to be recorded in the records of such city or town, and a certified copy thereof to be furnished without charge to the person or persons applying for such license.

Stationary steam engine not to be put up to be used, without license.

License to be granted on written application.  
—to be recorded.

**SECT. 2.** Whenever application shall be made for license as aforesaid, the mayor and aldermen of any city, or the selectmen of any town, shall assign a time and place for the consideration of the same, and shall cause public notice thereof to be given at least fourteen days beforehand, in such manner as said mayor and aldermen or selectmen may direct and at the expense of the applicant, that all persons interested may be heard before the granting of a license.

Duty of mayor and aldermen or selectmen on application for license.

**SECT. 3.** Any such engine hereafter erected, without license made and recorded as aforesaid, shall be deemed and taken to be a common nuisance, without any other proof thereof than proof of its use.

Any such engine erected without license shall be deemed a common nuisance.

**SECT. 4.** The mayor and aldermen of any city, or selectmen of any town, shall have the same power and authority to abate and remove any such steam engine, erected contrary to the provisions of this act, as are given to the health committee or health officer in the sixteenth section of the twenty-first chapter of the revised statutes, for the removal or discontinuance of the nuisances therein mentioned.

Power of mayor and aldermen or selectmen to remove any such engine.

**SECT. 5.** This act shall not be in force in any city or town until the inhabitants of the town, at a legal meeting called for that purpose, or the city council of the city, shall adopt the same.

When to be in force.

**SECT. 6.** This act shall take effect from and after its approval by the governor.

[Approved July 16, 1846.]