

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

EXTRA SESSION OF THE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 1853,

AND THE

THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

1854.

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PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1854.

CHAP. 105.

Chapter 105.

An act for the regulation of intelligence offices.

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

License of
intelligence
offices.

SECT. 1. No person shall hereafter establish or keep any intelligence office, in any city or town in this state, for the purpose of obtaining places of employment for male or female family domestics, servants, or other laborers, except seamen, or for procuring or giving information concerning such places, for or to such domestics, servants, or other laborers, except seamen, or for procuring or giving information concerning such domestics, servants or laborers, for or to employers, without a license, as hereinafter provided, under a penalty, not exceeding fifty dollars, for every day such office shall be so kept, to be recovered by complaint or indictment in any court of competent jurisdiction.

Penalty for
neglect.

Licenses, how
granted.

SECT. 2. The mayor and aldermen of any city and the selectmen of any town, may grant licenses for the term of one year to suitable persons for the foregoing purposes, and may at any time, for cause shown after notice to the person licensed, revoke and annul any such license.

Fee for license.

The person applying for such license, shall, before receiving the same, be required to pay to the mayor and aldermen or selectmen, a fee of one dollar for his license.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect in thirty days after its passage.

[Approved April 20, 1854.]

Chapter 106.

An act to authorize the establishment and maintenance of public libraries.

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

Public libraries,
establishment of
authorized.

SECT. 1. Any city, town or plantation of this state, is hereby authorized to establish and maintain a public library within the same for the use of the inhabitants thereof; and to provide suitable rooms therefor, under such regulations for the government of such library, as may from time to time be prescribed by the inhabitants of such city, town or plantation.

Money for
foundation and
support of, how
raised.

SECT. 2. Any city, town or plantation may appropriate for the foundation and commencement of such library as aforesaid,