

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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## Chapter 255.

An Act in relation to the inspection of Milk.

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

SECT. 1. Section forty-four of chapter thirty-eight of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the first two lines of said section and inserting in place thereof the following; 'the municipal officers of cities and towns containing not less than three thousand inhabitants shall annually appoint, and the municipal officers of all other towns shall on application of ten voters therein' so that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

Sec. 44, ch. 38,  
R. S., amended.

'SECT. 44. The municipal officers of cities and towns containing not less than three thousand inhabitants shall annually appoint, and the municipal officers of all other towns shall on application of ten voters therein, annually appoint one or more persons to be inspectors of milk, who shall, before entering upon their duties, be sworn, and give notice of their appointment by publishing the same for two weeks in a newspaper published in their towns, if any, otherwise by posting such notice in two or more public places therein.'

Inspectors of  
milk shall be ap-  
pointed in towns  
of not less than  
three thousand  
inhabitants.

SECT. 2. Section forty-seven of chapter thirty-eight of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by inserting after the words "has been added" in the fifth line, the words 'or sells or offers for sale as pure milk any milk from which cream has been taken;' and also by adding, after the word "indictment" in the last line of said section, the words 'when milk shall, by the gravimetric analysis, be found to contain over eighty-eight per cent of water, it shall be deemed prima facie evidence that said milk has been watered; and when milk, by the analysis aforesaid, shall be found to contain less than twelve per cent of solids and less than three per cent of fat, it shall be deemed, prima facie, milk from which cream has been taken, and any milk which by the analysis aforesaid, shall be found to contain any foreign substance, shall be deemed milk to which a foreign substance has been added,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Sec. 47, amended.

'SECT. 47. Whoever acting for himself, or as the employe of another, knowingly or willfully sells or offers for sale, milk from cows diseased, sick, or fed upon the refuse of breweries or distilleries, or upon any substance deleterious to its quality,

Penalty for sell-  
ing or off-ring  
for sale, impure  
or diluted milk.

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—when milk shall be deemed to have been diluted.

or milk to which water or any foreign substance has been added, or sells or offers for sale as pure milk, any milk from which cream has been taken, forfeits twenty dollars for the first, and fifty dollars for every subsequent offense, to be recovered for the town where the offense is committed by complaint and indictment. When milk shall, by the gravimetric analysis be found to contain over eighty-eight per cent of water, it shall be deemed prima facie evidence that said milk has been watered, and when milk by the analysis aforesaid, shall be found to contain less than twelve per cent of solids, and less than three per cent of fat, it shall be deemed, prima facie, milk from which cream has been taken, and any milk which, by the analysis aforesaid, shall be found to contain any foreign substance, shall be deemed milk to which a foreign substance has been added.'

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 24, 1893.

### Chapter 256.

An Act to regulate the sale and analysis of Commercial Fertilizers.

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

All packages of fertilizer exceeding in price ten dollars per ton, shall have affixed thereto a statement certifying number of pounds, name of trade mark and manufacturer and place of business, and analysis.

SECT. 1. Every manufacturer, company or person who shall sell, offer or expose for sale in this state any commercial fertilizer or any material used for fertilizing purposes the price of which exceeds ten dollars per ton, shall affix to every package of such fertilizer in a conspicuous place on the outside thereof, a plainly printed statement clearly and truly certifying the number of net pounds in the package sold or offered for sale, the name or trade mark under which the article is sold, the name of the manufacturer or shipper, the place of manufacture, the place of business and a chemical analysis stating the percentage of nitrogen, or its equivalent in ammonia in available form, of potash soluble in water, and of phosphoric acid in available form, soluble and reverted as well as the total phosphoric acid.

Manufacturers shall annually file certified copy of statement with Maine Agricultural

SECT. 2. Every manufacturer, company or person who shall sell, offer or expose for sale in this state, any commercial fertilizer or material used for fertilizing purposes, the price of