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# Acts and Resolves

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## Chapter 280.

An Act to Amend Section Seventy-six of Chapter Eighty-two of the Revised Statutes Relative to Price of Maine Reports.

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

**R. S., c. 82, § 76, relating to duties of reporter of decisions, amended.** Section seventy-six of chapter eighty-two of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out in the eighth line of said section after the words "price of" the words "one dollar and seventy-five" and inserting in place thereof the words 'two dollars and fifty,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'**Sec. 76. Price of Maine reports increased from \$1.75 to \$2.50.** The reporter of decisions shall, by his personal attendance at law court when practicable, or by the best other means in his power, prepare correct reports of all legal questions argued and decided, reporting cases more or less at large according to his judgment of their importance. He shall publish at least one volume yearly, provided he has material enough to make a volume of the size required by this section, and furnish the usual number of current copies to the state and to the public at the price of two dollars and fifty cents a volume. Each volume shall be of the average size of volume eighty-three, Maine Reports, and be equal thereto in paper, printing, binding, general finish and quantity of printed matter. The reporter may, from time to time, as he sees fit, make a written contract in his own name with any person, firm or corporation for the printing, publishing and binding of said reports and shall require such person, firm or corporation to give a good and sufficient bond with good and sufficient sureties, conditioned for the faithful performance of all the terms and conditions of such contract by the person, firm or corporation with whom the reporter makes such contract. In case of a breach of any or all the conditions of such bond, the reporter may maintain an action on such bond in his own name.'

Approved April 7, 1917.

## Chapter 281.

An Act to Amend Sections Forty and Forty-two of Chapter Forty-five of the Revised Statutes, Relating to Inspection and Transportation of Lobsters.

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 45, § 40, relating to arrangement for inspection of lobsters before shipping, when place of business has been changed, amended.** Section forty of chapter forty-five of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

'**Sec. 40. Discretionary with commissioner as to making arrangement for inspection before shipment. Subject to inspection in transit. When-**

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ever the commissioner shall receive from any person, firm, association or corporation that now has or hereafter may open such place of business, or may change said place of business after once it is established, the notice referred to in the preceding section, he shall, if in his judgment it is practicable to do so, arrange with said person, firm, association or corporation for the suitable inspection of lobsters before shipment from said place of business, and cause such lobsters to be inspected; but unless such arrangements are made all lobsters shall be subject to examination in transit.'

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 45, § 42, relating to the inspection of lobsters after packing, amended.** Section forty-two of said chapter forty-five is hereby amended by inserting after the word "thereof" in the second line the words 'and if inspected each barrel, box or package containing lobsters so inspected shall bear some mark to be prescribed by the commissioner indicative of such inspection;'; by inserting after the word "section" in the third line the words 'if bearing the mark indicative of inspection prescribed by the commissioner;'; by inserting after the word "marked" in the eighth line the words 'as required by the provisions of the preceding section;'; and by striking out the word "less" in the ninth and tenth lines and inserting in lieu thereof the word 'other' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

**'Sec. 42. Inspected packages to bear indicative mark prescribed by commissioner; live lobsters seized, other than prescribed length, to be liberated; others forfeited.** All lobsters so packed shall be open to the inspection of the commissioner or his wardens, at or before the time of the packing thereof, and if inspected each barrel, box or package containing lobsters so inspected shall bear some mark to be prescribed by the commissioner indicative of such inspection; but after the same are packed and marked, as required by the preceding section, if bearing the mark indicative of inspection prescribed by the commissioner and by the shipper delivered to the transportation company the said barrels, boxes or packages shall not be opened for inspection by anyone without the consent of the shipper; and in case of seizure by any duly authorized officer, of any barrels, boxes or other packages in transit, containing lobsters which are not so marked as required by the provisions of the preceding section, or in case of seizure by such officer, of barrels, boxes or other packages, containing lobsters, other than the prescribed length, such lobsters as are alive and other than the prescribed length shall be liberated, and all such lobsters as are of the prescribed length, found in such barrels, boxes or packages shall be forfeited and disposed of under the provisions of section forty-seven.'

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