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Chapter 288.

An Act Regulating the Keeping and Sale of Dynamite, Powder and Other Explosives.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the regulation of the keeping and sale of dynamite, powder and other explosives, within the state is necessary during the existence of war and is an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, now therefore,

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

Sec. 1. Explosives; possession and sale of to be recorded. Every person, firm or corporation having or hereafter acquiring the possession or control of dynamite, powder or other explosives, within the state, shall within twenty-four hours after acquiring such possession or control file with the clerk of the town or city in which such explosives be kept or deposited, a written statement under oath setting forth the amount, kind and location thereof and in case of sale or other disposition of any such dynamite, powder or other explosive within the state, the seller shall obtain from the purchaser a signed statement giving the name and address of the purchaser, date of sale, amount of purchase, place of use and purpose intended, which shall be countersigned by the seller and within twenty-four hours after such sale shall be filed together with a recording fee of ten cents, with the clerk of the town or city in which such sale is made and such clerk shall keep a record of such statement and forthwith forward a copy thereof to the secretary of state.

Sec. 2. Explosives obtained from without state to be recorded within twenty-four hours. All persons, firms or corporations purchasing or otherwise obtaining any dynamite, powder or other explosives from without the state shall within twenty-four hours after receiving such explosives file with the clerk of the town or city in which such purchaser resides a written statement under oath setting forth the amount purchased, and for what purpose or use the same is intended together with the purchaser's and seller's name and address.

Sec. 3. Penalty for violation. Any person failing to comply with any of the provisions of this act shall upon complaint be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than one year.

Sec. 4. Date when effective. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble hereof this act shall take effect when approved.

Approved April 7, 1917.