

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the  
**LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY**  
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library  
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied  
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

# Acts and Resolves

As Passed by the

## Seventy-Ninth Legislature

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE

1919

---

Published by the Secretary of State, in accordance with the Resolves of the Legislature  
approved June 28, 1820, March 18, 1840, and March 16, 1842.

---

KENNEBEC JOURNAL CO.  
AUGUSTA, MAINE  
1919

6939

**PUBLIC LAWS**  
OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE**

As Passed by the Seventy-Ninth Legislature

**1919**

[supplied from page 3 of volume]

any substance, being an article of merchandise, or receptacle, or thing for holding or carrying merchandise, upon or to which shall have been produced or attached any such flag, standard, color, ensign or shield, in order to advertise, call attention to, decorate, mark or distinguish such article or substance.

**Sec. 3. Flag not to be mutilated.** No person shall publicly mutilate, deface, defile, defy, trample upon, or by word or act cast contempt upon any such flag, standard, color, ensign or shield.

**Sec. 4. Not to apply in certain cases.** This statute shall not apply to any act permitted by the statutes of the United States (or of this state), or by the United States Army and Navy regulations, nor shall it apply to any printed or written document or production, stationery, ornament, picture or jewelry whereon shall be depicted said flag, standard, color, ensign or shield with no design or words thereon and disconnected with any advertisement.

**Sec. 5. Penalty for violation.** Any violation of section two of this act shall be a misdemeanor and punishable by a fine of not more than fifty dollars. Any violation of section three of this act shall be punishable by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment for not more than six months, or by both fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the court.

**Sec. 6. Inconsistent statutes repealed.** All laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**Sec. 7. Law made uniform.** This act shall be so construed as to effectuate its general purpose and to make uniform the laws of the states which enact it.

**Sec. 8. Denomination.** This act may be cited as the Uniform Flag Law.

Approved April 3, 1919.

---

## Chapter 159.

An Act Additional to Chapter Forty-eight of the Revised Statutes, Relating to the State Sealer of Weights and Measures.

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

**Sec. 1. Scales and weighing devices not to be sold until standard approved.** It shall be unlawful to sell, offer for sale or give away any scale or other weighing or measuring device until a scale or measuring device of the same manufacture, type and kind shall have been approved by the National Bureau of Standards in Washington, D. C., and until a certificate

**CHAP. 160**

of said approval shall have been filed with the state sealer of weights and measures in Augusta, which certificate shall state the name and manufacturer of said scale or other measuring device, the place where manufactured and that the same has been approved by said bureau of standards. This act shall not apply to liquid or standard dry measures.

**Sec. 2. Penalty for violation.** Whoever violates section one of this act shall upon conviction be punished by a fine of not less than twenty dollars nor more than fifty dollars for each offense. Municipal and police courts and trial justices shall have original jurisdiction concurrent with the supreme judicial court and superior court of prosecutions for all violations of this act.

**Sec. 3. Date when effective.** This act shall take effect July one, nineteen hundred and twenty.

Approved April 3, 1919.

---

## Chapter 160.

An Act to Amend Sections Six, Ten and Thirty-three of Chapter Six of the Revised Statutes, Relating to Primary Elections and the Filing of Nomination Papers by Independent Candidates.

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

**‘Sec. 1. R. S., c. 6, § 6; relating to the filing of primary nomination papers, amended.** Section six of chapter six of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words “first Monday of May” in the fourth line of the said section and by inserting in place thereof the words ‘third Monday in April’, so that the section, as amended, shall read as follows:

**‘Sec. 6. Papers to be filed on or before third Monday in April.** No such nomination papers shall be signed before the first day of January of the year in which such primary election is to be held and all such nomination papers shall be filed with the secretary of state on or before the third Monday in April of said year. With such nomination papers there shall also be filed the consent in writing of the persons so proposed thereby as candidates, agreeing to accept the nomination if nominated at the primary election, not to withdraw, and, if elected at the state election, to qualify as such officer. Such nomination papers so filed, and being in apparent conformity with the provisions hereof, shall be deemed to be valid; and, if not in apparent conformity, they may be seasonably amended under oath. In case any person who has been duly proposed as a candidate under the provisions hereof shall die before the day of the primary election, or shall withdraw in writing, so that the nominations shall be less than the number of the candidates required to be voted for by law, the vacancy may be supplied in the manner herein provided for such orig-