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Chapter 248

AN ACT Relating to the Packing of Sardines.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the present statute, sections 198 to 205, inclusive, of chapter 27 of the revised statutes, do not plainly and definitely establish a standard governing the packing of 15 ounce oval cans of sardines; and

Whereas, such definite standards are most desirable in order to secure the proper labelling of such class of sardines; and

Whereas, it is desirable to pack this class of goods for only a limited time each year; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as 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. R. S., c. 27, § 198, amended. Section 198 of chapter 27 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof a new sentence, to read as follows:

'Provided however, that the license for packing sardines in 1 pound oval cans shall run from June 1st to December 1st of each year unless sooner revoked as herein provided and shall be renewed annually thereafter.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 27, § 203, amended. The last sentence of the 4th paragraph of section 203 of chapter 27 of the revised statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 2 of chapter 78 of the public laws of 1945 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The quality of the tomato sauce shall be of not less than ~~1.035~~ 1.06 specific gravity.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 27, § 203, amended. Section 203 of chapter 27 of the revised statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 2 of chapter 78 of the public laws of 1945, and amended by chapter 376 of the public laws of 1945, is hereby further amended by adding after the 4th paragraph thereof, 2 new paragraphs to read as follows:

'The minimum count of fish per 15 ounce oval can, whether packed in tomato sauce, mustard sauce or other packing medium, shall be not less than 4 fish. The heads of all fish shall be removed by cutting. No broken

fish shall be packed. The minimum quantity of mustard sauce, tomato sauce or other packing medium shall be not less than 2 ounces per can. The quality of tomato sauce shall be not less than 1.06 specific gravity. Sardines thus packed shall be plainly and conspicuously marked "MAINE SARDINES."

The minimum count of fish per 8 ounce oval can, whether packed in tomato sauce, mustard sauce or other packing medium, shall be not less than 4 fish. The heads of all fish shall be removed by cutting. No broken fish shall be packed. The minimum quantity of mustard sauce, tomato sauce or other packing medium shall be not less than 1 ounce per can. The quality of tomato sauce shall be not less than 1.06 specific gravity. Sardines thus packed shall be plainly and conspicuously marked "MAINE SARDINES."

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.

Effective April 20, 1949

Chapter 249

AN ACT Amending An Act to Provide for the Joining of Towns for the Purpose of Providing Better School Facilities.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, certain community secondary school districts have already been formed under general law to provide for adequate secondary school buildings and instruction; and

Whereas, specifications for such buildings have been drafted and such districts are prepared to proceed with construction and maintenance of community secondary school instruction; and

Whereas, bond underwriters have refused approval of the issue of bonds of community secondary school districts organized under the present law; and

Whereas, the within legislation is vitally necessary to prevent great hardship to the youth of the state for lack of school buildings and suitable instruction; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the constitution of Maine and require the fol-