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public laws of 1957, is further amended by adding at the end of the first paragraph the following:

'It shall be unlawful to place covers indicating the contents as 4 fish or 4 sardines on cans containing more than 4 fish. The shipping containers used for cans which indicate the contents as 4 fish or 4 sardines shall be plainly and conspicuously marked with letters no less than ½ inch in height with the words 4 FISH CANS. It shall be unlawful to place cans containing more than 4 fish in shipping containers marked with the words 4 FISH CANS.'

Effective September 16, 1961

Chapter 34

AN ACT Increasing Inspection Fee for Sardines.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the sardine industry is one of the important industries of the State; and

Whereas, the packing of sardines is a seasonal operation extending from April 15th to December 1st of each year; and

Whereas, maintaining and improving the quality of the manufactured product is desirable for both the consumers and packers; and

Whereas, the inspection conducted by the Commissioner of Agriculture is financed solely by funds made available by self-imposed industry assessment; and

Whereas, an increase in the services demanded by the industry have made it impossible to finance the cost of the inspection with the present assessment of 5c per case of sardines packed; and

Whereas, it is desirable and necessary that any change in the rate of assessment per case of sardines packed should be in effect at the beginning of the packing season, or as soon as possible thereafter; 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:

R. S., c. 32, § 262, amended. The 2nd sentence of section 262 of chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 2 of chapter 92 of the public laws of 1957, is amended to read as follows:

'The inspection fee herein provided for may be increased by the commissioner after consultation with the Sardine Industry Advisory Board to an amount not to exceed 5e 8c per case, in the event the fee of 3c per case is not adequate to

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cover the cost of such inspection, but such increased fee shall be reasonable and shall cover as nearly as may be possible the cost of such inspection.'

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

Effective February 21, 1961

Chapter 35

AN ACT Relating to Permits for Operation of Motor Vehicles to Inspection Stations.

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

R. S., c. 22, § 45, amended. The next to the last paragraph of section 45 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

'The Secretary of State or authorized agent or state police officer may issue a permit to owners of motor vehicles which are not inspected to enable them to operate such vehicle to the nearest an inspection station for the purpose of complying with this law.'

Effective September 16, 1961

Chapter 36

AN ACT Relating to Flares, etc. for Certain Trucks Having Short Term Permits.

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

- Sec. 1. R. S., c. 22, § 138, amended. Section 138 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 7 of chapter 308 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended to read as follows:
- 'Sec. 138. Trucks 15,000 pounds and over to carry flares. No person shall operate or cause to be operated upon the highways of the State any motor truck or truck tractor having a registration or short term permit in excess of 15,000 pounds unless equipped with 2 red flags, and in addition thereto 3 flares, 3 red lanterns or 3 red emergency reflectors; except that in the case of vehicles used for transportation of inflammable liquids or gas in bulk, such equipment shall consist of 2 red flags, and in addition thereto 3 red electric lanterns or 3 red emergency reflectors.'
- Sec. 2. R. S., c. 22, § 139, amended. The first sentence of section 139 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 8 of chapter 308 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended to read as follows: