

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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THE
REVISED STATUTES

OF THE
STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED JANUARY 25, 1871;

TO WHICH ARE PREFIXED
THE CONSTITUTIONS

OF THE
UNITED STATES AND OF THE STATE OF MAINE:

WITH AN APPENDIX.

BY AUTHORITY OF THE LEGISLATURE.



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CHAPTER 29.

PUBLIC EXHIBITIONS, BOWLING ALLEYS, AND BILLIARD ROOMS.

PUBLIC EXHIBITIONS.

- SEC. 1. Penalty for exhibiting pageantry, slight of hand tricks, circuses, shows, or theatrical performances, without a license. Permanent museums not included.
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BOWLING ALLEYS.

- SEC. 3. Penalty for keeping bowling alley without a license, and how recovered and appropriated.
4. Licenses how granted and fees therefor.
5. Persons licensed to give bond; conditions of bond.
6. If conditions of bond violated, license to be revoked and payment of bond enforced; person not to be licensed again.
7. Penalty for obstructing officers from entering billiard rooms to enforce the laws. Penalties how recovered and appropriated.

PUBLIC EXHIBITIONS.

SEC. 1. If any person, for money or other valuable article, exhibits in this state any images, pageantry, slight of hand tricks, puppet show, circus, feats of balancing, wire dancing, personal agility, dexterity, or theatrical performances, without a license therefor, as hereinafter provided, he shall forfeit, for every such offence, not more than one hundred, nor less than ten dollars; but this prohibition shall not extend to any permanently established museum.

Penalty for exhibiting pageantry, &c., without a license.
R. S. c. 29, § 1.

SEC. 2. The municipal officers of towns may grant licenses for any of the foregoing exhibitions or performances therein, on receiving for the use of their town such sum as they deem proper; twenty-four hours being allowed therefor; and they shall prosecute, by an action of debt, in the name and for the use of their town, all persons violating the provisions of section one.

Licenses, how granted; fee.
R. S. c. 29, § 2.

BOWLING ALLEYS AND BILLIARD ROOMS.

SEC. 3. No person shall keep a bowling alley or billiard room without a license, under a penalty of ten dollars for each day, to be recovered in an action of debt by any person suing therefor, one-half to his own use, and the other to the use of the town, where the offence is committed.

Penalty for keeping bowling alley without license.
R. S. c. 29, § 3.
30 Me. 65.

SEC. 4. The municipal officers of towns may license suitable persons to keep bowling alleys and billiard rooms therein, in any place

Licenses how granted; fees.
R. S. c. 29, § 4.

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Keepers of bowling alleys &c., required to give bond.

SEC. 5. Every person licensed to keep a bowling alley or billiard room shall at the time he receives his license, give a bond to the town with two good and sufficient sureties, in a sum not less than one hundred dollars conditioned that he will not permit any gambling or drinking of any intoxicating liquors in or about his premises; or any minor to play or roll therein without the written consent of his parent, guardian or master; or his alley or billiard room to be opened or used from ten o'clock in the evening to sunrise.

Conditions of bond. 1862, c. 81, § 1.

Bond violated, license to be revoked, &c. R. S. c. 29, § 6.

SEC. 6. If any person, so licensed, violates any of the conditions of his bond, the municipal officers, on being furnished with proof thereof, shall revoke the license and enforce the payment of the bond for the use of their town; and no person, whose license is so revoked, shall afterwards be licensed in said town for such purpose.

Penalties. 1862, c. 81, § 1. 1863, c. 184, § 2. 30 Me. 65.

SEC. 7. The keeper of any bowling alley or billiard room, who violates any of the provisions of section five, shall forfeit ten dollars for the first offence, and twenty dollars for each subsequent offence, on complaint or indictment to the use of the person prosecuting; and any marshal, sheriff, police or other officer may at any time enter said bowling alley or billiard room or rooms connected therewith, for the purpose of enforcing this or any other law; and any person who obstructs his entrance shall forfeit not less than five, nor more than twenty dollars. The penalties provided in this section may be recovered by complaint, indictment or action of debt to the use of the person so prosecuting.

Officer may enter at any time. R. S. c. 29, § 8.

Penalty for obstructing officers entrance.

How recovered.