## MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## EIGHTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

S. P. No. 575

S. D. No. 247

In Senate, March 25, 1925.

Reported by Senator Lord from Committee on Agriculture and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

## STATE OF MAINE

## IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Define Certain Grades of Milk Offered for Sale Within the State.

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

The term "Grade A Milk" shall apply to natural milk 2 which shall contain not less than four percent butter fat,

- which shan contain not less than four percent butter fat,
- 3 nor less than twelve and one-half percent total solids, and 4 shall come from cows free from disease as determined by
- 5 tuberculin tests by a qualified veterinarian, and that the
- 6 bacterial count shall not exceed fifty thousand per cubic
- 7 centimeter plate count as determined by the standard meth-
- 8 ods of the American Public Health Association, at time of
- 9 delivery to consumer, and shall be produced in dairies that

score at least eighty on the United States Bureau of Ani-11 mal Industry score card. Whoever by himself, his servant 12 or agent, sells, exchanges or delivers or has in his custody 13 or possession with intent to sell, exchange or deliver any 14 milk, designated as "Grade A Milk" and not conforming 15 to the rules, regulations and standards, as established under 16 this act, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dol-17 lars for each offense.

The commissioner of agriculture shall, either in person or 2 by his duly authorized agent or assistant, diligently enforces 3 this act.