

## CHAPTER 126.

[H. B. 171.]

## WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

AN ACT relating to weights and measures establishing standards therefor, prohibiting the return of or credit for unsold bakery products, and amending section 11612 of Remington's Compiled Statutes.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:*

SECTION 1. That Section 11612 of Remington's Compiled Statutes be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 11612. A standard package or container of butter in the state of Washington shall contain sixteen (16) ounces net weight or thirty-two (32) ounces net weight, and a standard package or container need have no statement of the net weight of its contents.

Whenever butter is sold or offered for sale in a package or container the net weight of which is more or less than the standards herein prescribed, such package or container shall be labeled in plain English words or figures with the correct net weight of its contents expressed in pounds and ounces together with the name of the manufacturer or jobber.

That no person, firm or corporation shall hereafter manufacture, sell, offer or expose for sale bread, except in the following weights, which shall be net weights twelve hours after baking; one pound, one and one-half pounds, two pounds, three pounds, four pounds and five pounds, or other pound weights. Variations at the rate of one ounce per pound over, and one ounce per pound under above specified unit weights are permitted in individual loaves, but the average weight of not less than twelve loaves of any one unit of any one kind shall

Amends Rem.  
Comp. Stat.  
§ 11612;  
Pierce's Code  
§ 7260.

Butter  
standard.

Bread  
standard.

not be less than the weight prescribed by these regulations for such unit.

That no person, firm or corporation engaged in the manufacture of bread, or other bakery products, for sale, shall hereafter, directly or indirectly accept under any guise or arrangement whatever, returns of bread or other bakery products from any person, firm or corporation, nor make cash payments, nor allow credit to any retailer or other person for any unsold bread or other bakery products: nor shall any manufacturer of bread or other bakery products exchange any bread or other bakery products for other bread or other bakery products previously sold by said manufacturer.

Bread not  
returnable.

A standard sack of potatoes in the state of Washington shall contain one hundred (100) pounds net weight, and a standard sack of potatoes need have no statement of the weight of its contents.

Potato  
standard.

Whenever potatoes are sold by the sack, in sacks containing more or less than the standard, such sack shall be labeled in plain English words or figures with its true net weight.

All sales of blackberries, currants, strawberries, cranberries, blueberries, gooseberries, cherries and similar berries in packages containing less than one bushel, shall be sold by the dry quart containing 67.2 cubic inches or the dry pint containing 33.6 cubic inches, and all berry boxes sold, used or offered for sale within the state shall be of the interior capacity of 67.2 or 33.6 cubic inches, unless the same be labeled in plain English words or figures with its correct interior capacity expressed thereon in cubic inches.

Berry  
standard.

Nothing in the above section shall be so construed as to prevent the sale of any of the articles therein mentioned by weight.

Coal  
standard.

A standard sack of coal in the state of Washington shall contain one hundred (100) pounds net weight and a standard sack of coal need have no statement of the net weight of its contents.

Whenever coal is sold or offered for sale by the sack, in sacks containing more or less than one hundred (100) pounds net weight, such sack shall be labeled in plain English words or figures with the true net weight of its contents expressed in pounds.

Coal mis-  
representation.

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation or their agents, servants or other employees to misrepresent any coal offered for sale or to sell coal of any particular name or designation, or from any particular mine under the name or designation of another coal or mine.

Milk and  
cream.

All milk, cream or buttermilk sold in the state of Washington, in bottles, shall be sold only in bottles containing one-half pint, one pint, one quart, one-half gallon or one gallon standard liquid measure.

Vinegar.

All vinegar sold, exposed or offered for sale in the state of Washington, in bottles, shall be sold in bottles containing one-half pint, one pint, one quart, one-half gallon or one gallon standard liquid measure and when so sold need have no statement of the net measure of its contents.

Whenever vinegar is sold in the state of Washington in bottles containing more or less than mentioned in the foregoing section, such bottles shall be labeled in plain English words and figures, with its true net measure.

Purchase  
by weight  
and measure.

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation in the state of Washington to buy any commodity upon the basis of weight or measure except the same be bought upon the basis of the true net weight or measure and unless the scales or measures so used shall bear the seal of a sealer of weights and

measures and conform to the standards adopted by the state of Washington.

Every vendor of ice in the state of Washington shall at the time of actual delivery of any ice sold, weigh the quantity of ice delivered, and for that purpose shall use a steelyard balance or other apparatus for weighing such ice, which shall have been duly adjusted and sealed by a duly appointed sealer of weights and measures in accordance with the provision of the laws of the state of Washington, and all ice delivered to consumers within this state shall be sold by avoirdupois weight unless it is otherwise specially agreed upon between the buyer and the seller. Ice sales.

Each and every pair of ice tongs used in the delivery of ice within said state shall have prominently and conspicuously stamped thereon the exact and true avoirdupois weight of said tongs. Ice tongs.

It shall be unlawful for any vendor, or his servant, agent or other employee in the state of Washington, to offer to sell, or sell, or sell and deliver any commodity ordinarily and usually sold in bulk or quantity by weight or measure, unless the same be weighed or measured as the case may be upon or by officially tested and approved weights, measures, scales, scale-beams, patent balances, steelyards, automatic or computing scale or other instruments for weighing or measuring, and unless that portion of such commodity so offered for sale or sold by weight or measure shall be the true net weight or measure. Officially tested weights, measures, scales, etc.

It shall be unlawful for any vendor of firewood in the State of Washington, or his servant, agent or other employees to sell or offer for sale the same in the state in any quantity or by any measures except by the cord or fractional part thereof. The standard measurements of a cord of firewood in this state Firewood standards.

is hereby fixed and established at one hundred twenty-eight (128) cubic feet. *Provided, however,* That wood sixteen (16) inches or less in length may be sold without being measured as above provided, but if so sold by the unit or load or fractional part thereof, such wood shall be measured by throwing the same loosely or at random into a rectangular box or container and when so measured one hundred ninety-two (192) cubic feet shall constitute a unit or load of wood.

Sales ticket.

Every vendor of firewood, his servant, agent or other employees shall, with every delivery of firewood, deliver to the purchaser a sales ticket or bill in writing containing the vendor's name and address, and a true statement of the quantity delivered and the price thereof, and the kind and condition of the same.

Penalty.

Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Passed the House February 20, 1923.

Passed the Senate February 28, 1923.

Approved by the Governor March 16, 1923.

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## CHAPTER 127.

[H. B. 154.]

### HYGIENE OF MATERNITY AND INFANCY.

AN ACT relating to the welfare and hygiene of maternity, infancy and childhood and making an appropriation.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:*

Provisions  
of act of  
congress  
accepted.

SECTION 1. That the provisions of the act of Congress entitled "An act for the promotion of the welfare and hygiene of maternity and infancy, and for other purposes," approved November 23, 1921,