

for the use of his ordinary, shall not be deemed engrossing within this act. C H A P. VIII.

V. And be it enacted, That the importer or manufacturer of all goods, wares, and merchandizes, shall be allowed to sell the same by wholesale or retail. Importer may sell by wholesale or retail.

VI. And be it enacted, That no person shall purchase any goods imported into, or manufactured within, this state, to sell, barter, or exchange again, unless he shall purchase the same from the original importer or manufacturer, under the penalty of forfeiting the goods so purchased, one half to the state, and the other half to the informer, and under the further penalty of five hundred pounds for each offence; but this restraint shall not extend to licenced ordinary-keepers, so as to prohibit them from purchasing liquors, and other necessaries, for the common use of their ordinaries. Penalty on persons buying goods, &c. to sell again, &c.

VII. And be it enacted, That every purchaser of goods, wares, or merchandize, in any other of the United States, shall be considered as an importer, and allowed to sell the same by wholesale or retail, at his election; provided the goods, wares, or merchandizes, imported, exceed at the first cost the value of two hundred pounds, otherwise such purchaser shall be obliged to sell as a retailer and be considered as such. Purchasers of goods in other states to be considered as importers.

VIII. And be it enacted, That every retailer shall sell goods purchased of the importer or manufacturer, for ready money, if required, at not more than the rate of thirty per centum profit on the purchase money paid to the importer or manufacturer, and the charges of transportation or carriage to the place where exposed to sale, except the articles of salt and brown sugar, which shall be sold at not more than thirty-five per centum profit on the purchase money, and the charges aforesaid, and the purchaser, if a resident of this state, or if he sell the same by retail within this state, shall deliver into the clerk's office of the county where he resides, as soon as may be, an invoice or list on oath, (or if a menonist, quaker, or dunker) affirmation, signed by the importer, and the purchaser of all the goods, wares, or merchandize, bought by such purchaser, and the price thereof, and such purchaser or retailer shall not, directly or indirectly, sell or offer to expose to sale any part or parcel of the goods so bought from the importer or manufacturer, until such list or invoice shall be delivered to the county clerk as aforesaid, and a copy thereof attested by the said clerk shall be set up by the said retailer in the most public place of the shop or store where the same shall be exposed to sale, there to be subject to the inspection and examination of every person offering to buy the same, under the penalty of being deemed an engrosser, and punished as such. And if any such retailer shall refuse to sell any goods, wares, or merchandize, at the price above limited, for ready money, if required, he shall forfeit and pay five pounds for each refusal. And if any importer shall refuse or neglect to sign such list as aforesaid, or any purchaser shall refuse or neglect to register the price, or lodge and keep for inspection the list or invoice as aforesaid, which they are hereby respectively enjoined and required to do, the offender shall be deemed an engrosser, and shall be liable to be punished as such, on conviction in the general or county court of his county, by fine not exceeding Retailers to sell at 30 per cent. advance, &c.
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