

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 206

House of Representatives, February 20, 1919.

Reported by Mr. Clason from Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and ordered printed under joint rules.

- CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Barnes of Houlton.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND
NINE HUNDRED AND NINETEEN

RESOLVE for the Purpose of Operating the Fish Hatcheries and Feeding Stations for Fish, for the Protection of Fish, Game and Birds, and for Printing the Report of the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game, and Other Expenses Incident to the Administration of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Game.

Resolved: That the sum of one hundred thousand dollars be, and hereby is, appropriated for the year 1919, and also one hundred thousand dollars for the year 1920, to be expended by the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game, for the purpose of operating the fish hatcheries and feeding stations for fish in the state, for the protection of

7 fish, game and birds, for printing the report of the Com-
8 missioner of Inland Fisheries and Game, for maintenance
9 of the State Museum, payment of bounties on bob cats
10 killed in this state and other expenses incident to the ad-
11 ministration of the Department of Inland Fisheries and
12 Game, and that any of this appropriation unexpended at
13 the end of either year shall be available for the following
14 year.

Provided, also, that the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries
2 and Game may purchase or lease real estate in the name
3 of the state for the purpose of maintaining fish hatcheries
4 and feeding stations and erecting the same for fish culture,
5 and may also assist in maintaining fish hatcheries for fish
6 culture owned and under the management of fish and game
7 associations; provided, also, that the commissioner shall
8 make a detailed statement in his report of all expenditures
9 of money expended under this resolve.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

This Resolve provides for the usual appropriation for maintenance of the Inland Fish and Game Department, including the operation of eleven fish hatcheries and feeding stations.

In view of the increased cost of operating the hatcheries and maintaining the warden service, this sum is absolutely necessary to carry on the work.

In explanation of the reason the enclosed resolve does not cover the amount asked for by the commissioner in the hearing before the appropriation committee recently, it should be stated that an act has been introduced to amend the revised statutes, so that all moneys collected by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Game from license fees, fines and miscellaneous sources, may be credited to this appropriation and may be available for the use of the department. If the Legislature feels that the bill allowing the department such moneys should not be allowed, then this resolve should be reported in a New Draft carrying an additional appropriation sufficient to make up the amount represented by the moneys collected by the department.