

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES  
AS PASSED BY THE  
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Legislatures

OF THE  
STATE OF MAINE

From April 21, 1939 to April 26, 1941  
AND MISCELLANEOUS STATE PAPERS

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for the operation of said stores shall close each year upon the 30th day of June beginning in the year 1935; and the annual net profits from the operation of said stores shall be determined as of that date. The amount of said annual net profits shall be determined by the commission and the controller, subject to post audit by the state controller auditor, and when so determined and audited shall become general revenue of the state; provided, however, that the net profits made prior to the close of books June 30, 1935, shall be used in establishing a working capital for the purposes of carrying on the activities as provided in this act, and further provided, however, for each 5 years commencing July 1, 1935, in determining the annual net profit of the stores for said year the sum of \$50,000 shall first be deducted from the gross receipts and repaid into the state treasury to reimburse it for the \$250,000 hereinbefore appropriated from the general funds of the state to provide operating capital under this act.'

Approved June 7, 1940

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## Chapter 303

### AN ACT Permitting State to Accept Federal Funds for Promotion of Aviation.

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, under the Emergency National Defense Program a large appropriation will be made for the promotion of aviation facilities and development, and

Whereas, it is necessary for authority to be granted to a state agency to accept the federal funds, and

Whereas, it is vital that no time be lost in improving aviation facilities, in consideration of the European situation, and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of section 16 of Article XXXI of the constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now therefore,

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

**Sec. 1.** P. L., 1939, c. 8, § 3, amended. Section 3 of chapter 8 of the public laws of 1939 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'**Sec. 3. Duty of committee.** The sole duty of the committee shall be to study aeronautical conditions of the state of Maine and to make recommendations to the secretary of state, and to the governor and council for the improvement of the same.'

**Sec. 2. P. L., 1939, c. 8, additional.** Chapter 8 of the public laws of 1939 is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 4-A, and to read as follows:

**'Sec. 4-A. Acceptance of federal funds authorized.** The governor and council are authorized to accept federal funds apportioned to the state for the development of aeronautics within the state, and expend the same for the purposes for which they were granted, or authorize their expenditure for the said purposes by "the Aeronautical Committee."

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.

Approved June 7, 1940

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## Chapter 304

### AN ACT to Encourage Development of Maine's Resources.

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, the development of mining in Maine has been retarded due to the fact that large investments were necessary, and

Whereas, there are many probabilities that would be investigated if some large companies became located in Maine, and

Whereas, one company is now interested in immediately investigating an existing mine, and

Whereas, the immediate enactment of this bill will permit the work to be started this summer and result in immediate employment of citizens, and assist in the production of metal and thus aid the defense program, and

Whereas, it is vitally important that every effort be made to further industrial development of the state at this time, and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of section 16 of article XXXI of the constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now therefore,

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

**R. S., c. 49, § 63, additional.** Chapter 49 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section to be numbered section 63:

**'Sec. 63. Mining under water.** Whenever it is discovered that a vein or lode in a mine continues from under the land to under water, where the