

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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THE
REVISED STATUTES

OF THE
STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED OCTOBER 22, 1840;

TO WHICH ARE PREFIXED

THE CONSTITUTIONS

OF THE

United States and of the State of Maine,

AND TO WHICH ARE SUBJOINED THE OTHER

PUBLIC LAWS OF 1840 AND 1841,

WITH AN

APPENDIX.

PRINTED AND PUBLISHED IN COMPLIANCE WITH A RESOLVE OF OCTOBER 22, 1840.

Augusta:

PUBLISHED BY WILLIAM R. SMITH & Co., PRINTERS TO THE STATE.

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1841.

CHAPTER 4.

CHAP. 4.

OF THE STATE LIBRARY.

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SECTION 1. The books now belonging to the state, and such as shall be hereafter purchased, or received by the state, shall be collected and deposited in the south wing of the capitol, in rooms numbered three and four, and shall compose the state library.

SECT. 2. The secretary of state shall be librarian, and take charge of the library, under such regulations, as are hereinafter established, and cause a catalogue of books to be prepared and kept; and he may appoint an assistant during the session of the legislature, whose compensation shall not exceed that of an engrossing clerk: provided however, that the governor, with advice of the council, may appoint the superintendent of the public buildings a librarian, with a compensation not exceeding one hundred dollars a year. Actions for the breach of said regulations may be brought by the secretary of state for the time being, in his own name, for the use of the state, and in case of the death or removal from office of such secretary, the action shall survive, and be prosecuted in like manner by his successor.

SECT. 3. All sums of money appropriated and unexpended, or which may be hereafter appropriated by the legislature for the purchase of books, shall be expended by the secretary, under the direction of the governor.

SECT. 4. Books may be taken from the library by the governor, members of the council, of the senate and house of representatives, judges of the judicial courts, secretary of state, treasurer of the state, adjutant general, attorney general and land agent.

SECT. 5. The librarian shall cause to be kept a register of all books issued and returned, at the times they shall be so issued and returned, and none so issued shall be retained more than three weeks, and all shall be returned on or before the first day of January annually.

SECT. 6. Every person shall be answerable for all damage done by him to any book, and in case of the loss of a volume belonging to a set, the person answerable therefor shall procure a new volume, or pay in money the value of the set.

SECT. 7. The governor may transmit to the governors of the several states, three copies of all the laws and resolves, published by order of the legislature, one copy of all public documents, printed and bound by the like order; and one copy of the printed decisions of the judicial courts.

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1839, 402, § 1.
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1839, 402, § 2.

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1839, 402, § 3.

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1839, 402, § 4.

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1839, 402, § 4.

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1839, 402, § 4.

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1839, 402, § 5.