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ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 348

S. P. 121

In Senate, January 16, 1963

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Ferguson of Oxford.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-THREE

AN ACT Revising the Maine Mining Law.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 39-B, § 4, sub-§ VII, amended. Subsection VII of section 4 of chapter 39-B of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 2 of chapter 293 of the public laws of 1957 and as repealed and replaced by section 3 of chapter 135 of the public laws of 1959, is amended by inserting after the first sentence the following:

'If the amount of assessment expenditure is far in excess of the minimum requirement, the Mining Bureau may, upon petition of the claimholder, allow all or part of this excess expenditure to be credited to assessment requirements in the following years, as long as the claims are held during the 5-year claim period defined in subsection IX.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 39-B, § 4, sub-§ VII, amended. Subsection VII of section 4 of chapter 39-B of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 2 of chapter 293 of the public laws of 1957 and as repealed and replaced by section 3 of chapter 135 of the public laws of 1959, is amended by adding at the end the following:

'If the normal exploration plans on overwater claims or a claim group include drilling or geophysical work which requires an ice cover, the Mining Bureau may allow the exploration expenditure to be applied either to a present year or the subsequent year, if requested by the claimholder. Extension will be granted only to those claims which are of record 6 months prior to December 31st of the year in which the request is made.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 39-B, § 4, sub-§ IX, amended. Subsection IX of section 4 of chapter 39-B of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 2 of chapter 293

of the public laws of 1957 and as repealed and replaced by section 3 of chapter 135 of the public laws of 1959, is amended by inserting after the 2nd sentence the following new sentence:

The Mining Bureau may, upon application and for good reason, grant an extension for an additional period not to exceed 5 years.'

Sec. 4. Effective date. This act shall be retroactive to January 1, 1963.