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CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary Presented by Senator Noves of Franklin.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-THREE

AN ACT Transferring Division of Geological Survey of Department of Economic Development to the University of Maine.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 38-A, § 2, amended. The 3rd paragraph of section 2 of chapter 38-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 371 of the public laws of 1955 and as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

'The commissioner shall organize a Division of Research and Planning, a Division of Industrial Development, a Division of Recreational Promotion and a Division of Publicity and Public Relations and a Division of Geological Survey and such other divisions as the commissioner may recommend and as may be approved by the Governor and Council. The Commissioner of Economic Development and the Commissioner of Labor and Industry shall from time to time confer on matters affecting the economic and social welfare of the State, including hours of labor, wages, industrial safety and regulatory decisions and orders.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 38-A, §§ 6-B - 6-D, repealed. Section 6-B, as enacted by section 6 of chapter 123 of the public laws of 1957, and sections 6-C and 6-D, as enacted by chapter 374 of the public laws of 1957, as amended, of chapter 38-A of the Revised Statutes are repealed.

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 41, §§ 135-A - 135-C, additional. Chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding 3 new sections, to be numbered 135-A to 135-C, to read as follows:

'Department of Geological Survey.

Sec. 135-A. State Geologist. The State Geologist shall be appointed by the trustees of the University of Maine on recommendation of the president to serve at the pleasure of the trustees. The State Geologist shall administer sections 135-A to 135-C and shall perform such other duties as shall be required of him by law or assigned to him by the trustees.

Sec. 135-B. Geological Survey Publication Fund. There is established within the Department of Geological Survey a revolving fund for the use of the department to cover printing and distribution costs for geological and related technical literature.

Sec. 135-C. Printing and sale of publications. The State Geologist is authorized to fix the price at which publications of the Department of Geological Survey may be sold and delivered. The department shall receive without charge 10% of all such publications for complimentary distribution.

The State Geologist is authorized to fix the price at which United States Geological Survey and other United States Government maps, charts and other publications may be sold and delivered, provided such publications are specifically authorized for resale by the originating agency and are specifically concerned with technical information in the State of Maine.

Income from the sale of publications shall be creditd to the revolving fund to be used as a continuing carrying account to carry out the purposes of section 135-B.'

Sec. 4. Legislative intent. It is the intent of the Legislature that the powers and duties of the Division of Geological Survey of the Department of Economic Development are hereby transferred to, and shall hereafter be exercised and performed by the Department of Geological Survey, under the supervision and control of the trustees of the University of Maine. The Department of Economic Development shall transfer to the Department of Geological Survey all property, records and other data now in the custody of the division. With respect to the year end closing at June 30, 1964, all encumbered balances of the Division of Geological Survey shall be credited to the Department of Geological Survey and all appropriations to the Division of Geological Survey made by the Legislature shall be credited to the Department of Geological Survey.