

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SECOND LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 343

S. P. 117

In Senate, January 20, 1965

Referred to Committee on Industrial and Recreational Development. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Secretary

Presented by Senator Jacques of Androscoggin.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-FIVE

AN ACT Clarifying the Laws Relating to the Division of Geological Survey in
Department of Economic Development.

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

R. S., T. 10, § 651, repealed and replaced. Section 651 of Title 10 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

‘Sec. 651. Powers and duties. The Division of Geological Survey shall gather and compile geologic information of both the bedrock and surficial features of the State; to present this information in printed maps and reports for the general public and the mining industry; to assist existing mining operations in the State; and promote the development of the mineral potential of the State.

The division may employ professional geologists to perform geologic mapping on specific projects in Maine, to provide basic geologic information and the location and environment of mineral deposits. The results obtained from these projects shall be compiled and published as soon as it is possible within the budgetary limitations of the department.

The division shall provide advisory assistance to any mining company interested in exploring the mineral resources of the State. Members of the division staff shall visit the executive offices of mining companies at intervals sufficient to maintain the interest of company executives in mineral development in the State of Maine.

The division shall cooperate with other divisions of the department and other state agencies in promoting the economy of the State.

There is established within the division a revolving fund for the use of the

division to cover printing and distribution costs for geological and related technical literature.

The commissioner is authorized to fix the price at which publications of the Maine Geological Survey may be sold and delivered. The department shall receive without charge 10% of all such publications for complimentary distribution.

The commissioner 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 on the State of Maine.

Income from the sale of publications shall be credited to the revolving fund to be used as a continuing carrying account to carry out the purpose of the publication fund.

The division staff shall initiate and develop research projects in the field of economic geology and basic geology which are necessary to advance the total geologic knowledge of the State.

The Director of the Division of Geological Survey shall also act as Maine State Geologist performing whatever duties as shall be required by law and tradition.'