

# ONE HUNDRED AND SECOND LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

## No. 406

H. P. 303 House of Representatives, January 21, 1965 Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

JEROME G. PLANTE, Clerk Presented by Mr. Benson of Mechanic Falls.

## STATE OF MAINE

## IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE

### RESOLVE, in Favor of Development of State Park on Lower Range Pond, Poland, Androscoggin County.

State Park on Lower Range Pond; appropriation for. Resolved: That there is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund the sum of \$400,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1966 for the acquisition, development and construction of a state park on Lower Range Pond. Such expenditures will be expended by and under the supervision of the Maine State Park and Recreation Commission with the approval of the Governor and Council.

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS

For several years, the Maine State Park and Recreation Commission has been searching for a proper site for a state park and recreation area in the greater Lewiston-Auburn area to take care of the recreational needs of its citizens and the many summer visitors to this section. Lower Range Pond is ideally situated for the development of such a facility and  $\varepsilon$  sizable tract of sandy beach is currently for sale with sufficient backlands to develop a major state park facility. Proximity to the Maine Turnpike and the recreational advantages of the famous Poland Spring area add to the desirability of establishing a public recreation facility in this area.

It is anticipated that the state funds requested in this project will be matched equally with federal funds under the Land & Water Conservation Fund Act.