

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SECOND LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 841

S. P. 279

In Senate, February 3, 1965

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Secretary

Presented by Senator Hilton of Somerset.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Provide Aerial Photos of Maine's Forest Lands.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 12, § 519, additional. Title 12 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 519 to read as follows:

§ 519. Aerial photographs

In order to provide adequate and continuing information on Maine's forest wealth, to provide photographic coverage of Maine's forest lands, in preparation for the United States Forest Service resurvey of the State's timber resources scheduled to begin in 1966, to promote equitable taxation, to encourage adequate municipal mapping, to provide for visual examination of wild lands in the State, the Forest Commissioner is directed to provide aerial photography of the land area of the State on a current basis. The Forest Commissioner is directed to have photos taken at such a time as to most clearly show topographic features, timber types and property lines. Substantially equal blocks shall be photographed in each year of the coming biennium from organized and unorganized areas of the State to accomplish the complete photographic coverage of the area.

The Forest Commissioner shall coordinate his efforts in this field with other federal, state and municipal agencies to minimize possible duplication of photographic coverage.

Photographs shall be taken at a scale which will adequately provide the required information. Photos shall be part of the public domain and shall be available for purchase.'

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund to the Forestry Department the sum of \$25,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1966 and the sum of \$25,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1967 to carry out the purposes of this Act.