

# ONE HUNDRED AND SECOND LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

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H. P. 1202 House of Representatives, January 17, 1966 The Committee on Claims suggested.

JEROME G. PLANTE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Hawkes of Standish.

# STATE OF MAINE

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

#### RESOLVE, in Favor of Margaret Sinclair of Windham for Fire Loss.

Margaret Sinclair; reimbursement. Resolved: That there is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund the sum of \$7,000 to be paid to Margaret Sinclair, now of Windham, Maine, as a full and final settlement for the loss of her dwelling and personal property, in New Gloucester, by a fire allegedly set by inmates of the Pineland Hospital and Training Center.

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS

On April 9, 1961, 3 teenage boys left the center, passed through some woods nearby and came out near the Sinclair dwelling on Morse Road, New Gloucester. Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair were in South Portland at that time. The 3 boys, finding the dwelling unoccupied, entered through a window and admitted taking several articles, including matches. On leaving the dwelling they lighted matches and dropped them. The grass caught fire, spread and burned the dwelling and contents.