

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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H. P. 859

House of Representatives, March 1, 1967

Referred to Committee on State Government. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Lewin of Augusta.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Designating Present State Museum as a Memorial to Klir Beck.

Preamble. Klir Beck, late of Mt. Vernon and formerly state artist and curator of the Maine State Museum did for nearly 30 years, design, construct and erect displays promoting the outdoor life of Maine for the delight and edification of adults and children at sportsmen's shows across the United States.

This adopted son of the State of Maine through his life and devotion of the arts and crafts of his God-given abilities in the creation and recreation of certain of nature's noblest works, has left as his only legacy the works of his hands in the present museum in the south wing of the Capitol Building.

In the creation of a new building for the housing of a museum, archives and library, the present museum would then, undoubtedly, be eliminated and the contents moved to the next location.

The present display cases depicting the habitat of Maine moose, bear, covered bridge and kindred subjects due to their immense size could not be moved without severe damage to contents and the art work in the dioramas or backgrounds.

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

Maine State Museum; memorial. The present Maine State Museum is designated a permanent memorial to the late Klir Beck of Mt. Vernon, state artist from 1937 to 1966.