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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-NINE

AN ACT To Clarify the State Museum Law.

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

R. S., T. 27, §§ 363-365, additional. Title 27 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding 3 new sections to be numbered 363 to 365, to read as follows:

§ 363. State Archaeologist

The Director of the Maine State Museum may employ a State Archaeologist to serve at the pleasure of the director. The State Archaeologist shall be responsible for compiling and maintaining archaeological data of the State; for coordinating archaeological activities within the State; for providing technical information or assistance to individuals, agencies or institutions engaged in the collection, preservation and interpretation of archaeological materials, for undertaking archaeological research and excavations on behalf of the State; and for publishing significant archaeological data through the auspices of the Maine State Museum.

§ 364. Federal funds

The museum through its commission and director may be an official agency of the State to receive and disburse any funds made available by the Federal Government for programs related to the purposes of the museum.

§ 365. Publication fund

1. Revolving fund. There is established within the Maine State Museum a revolving fund for the use of the museum to cover printing and distribution costs for scientific, historical and educational literature and services offered by the museum for which a charge is made.

2. Price and rates. The director is authorized to fix the price and rates at which publications, services or related items may be sold and delivered. The museum shall receive without charge 15% of all such publications for complimentary distribution.

3. Certain materials. The director is authorized to purchase, establish the price and sell through the museum sales program pertinent handcraft, educational or publication materials procured from outside sources. Proceeds from such sales shall be utilized to restock materials for resale and support of the publications program as defined in subsection 1.

4. Income. Income from sale of publications shall be credited to the revolving fund, to be used as a continuing carrying acount to carry out the purposes of subsection 1, or as excepted by the conditions of subsection 3.