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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
AND SEVENTY

AN ACT to Provide Black Fly Control.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, black fly populations have become increasingly severe with consequent disruptiveness to the welfare of inhabitants; and

Whereas, the welfare, comfort and work production of citizens and inhabitants of resort areas, in certain sections is seriously affected by black flies; and

Whereas, it is necessary to establish, without further delay, control methods used in other states on a sound basis under Maine conditions; and

Whereas, the only method of black fly larval control must, by federal regulation, be done under some form of governmental supervision; and

Whereas, black fly larval control is the most effective method but must be started in late April or May with preparatory planning well in advance; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine, and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the University of Maine, College of Life and Science, the sum of \$3,000 to research

the black fly problem in Maine and the possible control thereof. The breakdown shall be as follows:

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UNIVERSITY OF MAINE

College of Life and Science
All Other

\$3,000

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

It is known that black fly control is practiced successfully in other areas, notably in the mountain-resort areas of New York State. Successful control in these people's minds should be supervised by competent men familiar with black fly habits and breeding places, and experienced in insect control programs.