

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 145

House of Representatives, January 19, 1971

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

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Kelley of Machias.

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## STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-ONE

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### **AN ACT to Reimburse Town of Jonesboro for Expenses Incurred in Defending Shellfish Conservation Ordinances.**

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

**Appropriation.** There is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund to the Town of Jonesboro, Washington County, the sum of \$2,328.80 to reimburse the town for expenses incurred in defending the shellfish conservation ordinances authorized by the Revised Statutes, Title 12, sections 4251 and 4252.

### STATEMENT OF FACT

By the Revised Statutes, Title 12, sections 4251 and 4253, municipalities were permitted to enact shellfish conservation ordinances. The constitutionality of these sections is now being tested. The outcome will affect similar ordinances of all 36 towns along the Maine coast. The Town of Jonesboro was refused the services of the county attorney and had to employ private counsel and should be reimbursed for its expenses.