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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 270

H. P. 204 House of Representatives, January 20, 1971 Referred to Committee on State Government. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Birt of E. Millinocket.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Preserving Historical Materials by the State Museum.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 27, § 86-A, additional. Title 27 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 86-A to read as follows:

§ 86-A. Historical materials

The State Museum shall hold title, as trustee for the State, to all historical materials, other than documents or other library or archival items under the administrative jurisdiction of the State Library or State Archives, which are or may become the property of the State and are or may be housed in the public buildings of the State. Such historical materials shall include the banners and flags presently housed in the State House Hall of Flags and may include, but shall not be restricted to, paintings, sculptures and other works of art dealing with historic subjects or executed by historically significant artists; flags, banners, insignia, medals, firearms, edged weapons, uniforms and other accoutrements relating to Maine military personnel or units; furnishings, utensils, implements, tools, machinery and other devices having particular historical significance to the State.

The State Museum shall protect, preserve and interpret such materials which may be placed under its trusteeship in accordance with this chapter.

Sec. 2. Resolves, 1907, c. 186, repealed. Chapter 186 of the resolves of 1907 is repealed.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to charge the State Museum with research and preservation of historical materials.