

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 365

H. P. 276

House of Representatives, January 26, 1971

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

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Birt of East Millinocket.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Powers of State Park and Recreation Commission.

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

Whereas, under existing statutes, the Maine State Park and Recreation Commission has no authority to receive and disburse federal funds under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, (P. L. 89-665); and

Whereas, funds are currently available for the State of Maine under this federal grant program; and

Whereas, unless the commission is authorized to receive and disburse these funds prior to June 30, 1971, the moneys will lapse for distribution to other states; 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:

R. S., T. 12, § 602, sub-§ 9, amended. The first sentence of subsection 9 of section 602 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

To accept and receive funds from the Federal Government for all purposes relating to parks ~~and~~, recreational areas **and property included in the National**

Register of Historic Places as defined in 16 U.S.C. § 470 (a) (1) (P. L. 89-665).

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

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is reflected in the emergency preamble.