

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 463

S. P. 185 Referred to the Committee on State Government. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed. MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate Presented by Senator Trotzky of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

AN ACT to Establish a Revolving Fund for the Maine State Library.

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

27 MRSA § 4-A is enacted to read:

§ 4-A. Revolving Fund

1. Fund created. There is established within the Maine State Library a revolving fund for use by the library to replace books, documents or other materials that are damaged, lost or unrecoverable for which a charge is made.

2. Price and rates. The State Librarian is authorized to fix the value of library items at current replacement costs plus a reasonable amount incurred in recovering these items.

3. Income. Income received from subsection 2 shall be credited to the revolving fund to be used as a continuing carrying account to carry out the purposes of subsection 1.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The Maine Revised Statutes, Title 27, section 4 permits the State Library to charge for those books, documents or other materials and this bill permits the library to use the recovered funds to replace lost or damaged material. Currently,

the library deposits these funds to the General Fund, not accomplishing the purpose for which the money was received. The General Fund netted \$1,581.13 from unrecoverable items for fiscal year 1980.