

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIFTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 120.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE memorializing the General Assembly of the State of New York to so amend the Hell Gate Pilot Laws, so as to remove compulsory pilotage.

Resolved, The senate and house of representatives
2 in legislature assembled: To the general assembly
3 of the state of New York, send greetings.
4 Whereas, The people of our state are largely in-
5 terested in navigation and many of our coasting
6 vessels trade with the port of New York and ports
7 to the southward, passing through Long Island
8 Sound and using the Hell Gate passage the outlet
9 to the ocean ; and whereas, these vessels by the
10 laws of the state of New York are compelled to
11 pay half pilotage when no service is rendered or
12 required;—by this act of a sister state a burden is
13 imposed upon our people which they consider un-
14 just and oppressive, and believing that the outlets

15 and channel leading to the ocean and all the pas-
16 sages navigated by our coasting vessels ought to
17 be free to all, unrestricted by state legislation, and
18 subject only to such just and equal laws as con-
19 gress may enact. We therefore, the representa-
20 tives of the people of the state of Maine, do most
21 respectfully memorialize your honorable body so to
22 amend your Hell Gate pilot laws that no half pilot-
23 age shall be exacted from our vessels using the
24 Hell Gate passage. And as in duty bound, your
25 memorialists will ever pray.

Resolved, That a printed copy of this memorial
2 be transmitted to the speaker of the house of as-
3 sembly and to the president of the senate of the
4 state of New York.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
March 15, 1880. }

Reported by Mr. GOSS from Committee on Commerce, and
ordered printed under rule.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*