

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SIXTIETH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 64.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE relating to Hell Gate Pilot Laws.

The Senate and House of Representatives of the
2 State of Maine in Legislature assembled, to the
3 General Assembly of the State of New York,
4 sends greeting:

5 WHEREAS, At the last session of the legislature
6 resolutions were adopted, calling the attention of
7 your honorable bodies to the Hell Gate pilot laws;
8 and whereas, the ship owners of this state are justly
9 indignant at the compulsory pilot laws of your
10 state, which compel their vessels, using the pas-
11 sage through the sound to the sea, to pay pilotage
12 whether their services are required or not, impos-
13 ing a burden not warranted by the constitution of
14 the United States; and whereas, the government
15 of the United States has expended millions of dol-
16 lars in removing the reefs in said passage, making;

17 it comparatively safe for vessels passing through,
18 and rendering the services of a pilot unnecessary,
19 therefore

Resolved, That we respectfully ask your honor-
2 able bodies to so amend said laws that the griev-
3 ances of our citizens may be removed, and as in
4 duty bound your memorialists will ever pray.

Resolved, That a printed copy of this memorial
2 be transmitted to the president of the Senate and
3 speaker of the House of Assembly of the State of
4 New York by the secretary of state.

STATE OF MAINE.

In HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 11, 1881. }

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

ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*