

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SIXTIETH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 131.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE for the revision and consolidation of the
public laws of the state.

Resolved, That the revision of the public laws of
2 this state be committed to Charles W. Goddard of
3 Portland, whose duty it shall be to revise, collate,
4 arrange and consolidate all the general and public
5 laws now in force, and such as shall be enacted at
6 the present session of the legislature; preserving
7 unchanged the order and arrangement of the pres-
8 ent revised code, and retaining the phraseology
9 thereof, except so far as it may be necessary to
10 vary it by incorporating existing laws therewith;
11 and such subsequent laws as are in force at the
12 time of the revision shall be incorporated into the
13 revised code in the appropriate chapters and sec-
14 tions thereof in language concise and intelligible,
15 and of the same intent, effect and construction;

16 leaving out of the new revision all such parts of
17 the present revised statutes as have been repealed
18 or superseded, and omitting also chapter ten con-
19 cerning the militia; and so modifying other pro-
20 visions as to conform to existing laws; also causing
21 the head notes and marginal notes to be carefully
22 examined and changed to conform to the new re-
23 vision; and references to the recent adjudged
24 cases interpreting the statutes to be added; and a
25 copious and perfect general index to all the provis-
26 ions of the revised code to be prepared; also sug-
27 gesting, with proper distinguishing marks, such
28 contradictions, omissions, repetitions and imperfec-
29 tions as may appear in the present revised statutes
30 and in the subsequent laws, and the mode in which
31 the same may be reconciled, supplied, amended and
32 corrected.

Resolved, That said commissioner shall complete
2 said revision in separate titles, and on or before
3 the first day of the next session of the legislature,
4 shall cause five hundred copies thereof to be
5 printed by such person as shall be employed in
6 accordance with the resolve following; and said
7 commissioner shall superintend said printing.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary be

2 and they are hereby authorized to arrange the de-
3 tails of said commissioner's service and his com-
4 pensation; and to contract, in behalf of the state,
5 with some competent and responsible printer for
6 the printing aforesaid; *provided*, that the entire
7 expense of said revision and of the printing above
8 specified shall not exceed the sum of eight thou-
9 sand dollars.

STATE OF MAINE.

In HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
March 2, 1881. }

Reported from Committee on the Judiciary, by Mr. TALBOT,
and ordered printed under Rule.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*