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AN ACT

To provide for the collection, arrangement, and display
of the products of the State of Maine at the World's
Columbian Exposition of 1893, and to make an appro priation therefor.

5 Whereas, The Congress of the United States has 6 provided, by an act approved April 25, 1890, for cele-7 brating the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery

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8 of America by Christopher Columbus by holding an inter-9 national exhibition of arts, industries, manufactures, and 10 the products of the soil, mine, and sea, in the city of 11 Chicago, in the state of Illinois, in the year 1893; and

12 Whereas, It is of great importance that the natural 13 resources, industrial development, and general progress 14 of the State of Maine should be fully and creditably dis-15 played to the world at said Exposition; therefore,

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House 16 17 of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows: That for the purpose of exhibiting the resources, 18 19 products, and general development of the State of Maine 20 at the World's Columbian Exposition of 1893, a Com-21 mission is hereby constituted, to be designated, The 22 Board of World's Fair Managers of Maine, which shall 23 consist of eight residents of the State of Maine of whom 24 four shall be men, and four women, to be organized and 25 continue its duties as hereinafter provided. One man and 26 one woman from each congressional district. The men 27 shall be chosen two each from the two leading political 28 parties.

29 SECTION 2. The World's Columbian Commissioners 30 and the members of the Board of Lady Managers of the 31 World's Columbian Commission from the State of Maine 32 and their respective alternates and the World's Columbian 33 Commissioner-at-Large and the member at large of the 34 Board of Lady Managers from the State of Maine, with 35 their respective alternates, if there be such representa-36 tives at large residing in said State, shall be *ex-officio* 37 members of the Board of World's Fair Managers for the 38 State of Maine.

The members of said Board shall be 39 SECTION 3. 40 appointed by the Governor within sixty days after the 41 passage of this act, and shall meet at such times as the 42 Governor may appoint, and organize by the election of a 43 President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. 44 The Treasurer of said Board shall give a bond to the State 45 in the sum of ten thousand dollars, with ------ sureties, 46 to be approved by the Governor, for the proper perform-47 ance of his duties. Five members of said Board shall 48 constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The 49 Board shall have power to make rules and regulations for 50 its own government, provided such rules and regulations 51 shall not conflict with the regulations adopted under the 52 Act of Congress for the government of said World's 53 Columbian Exposition. Any member of the Board may 54 be removed at any time by the Governor for cause. Anv 55 vacancy which may occur in the membership of said 56 Board shall be filled by the Governor.

57 SECTION 4. The members of the Board appointed 58 under this act who are not officers thereof shall not be 59 entitled to any compensation for their services out of 60 the State Treasury except their actual expenses for trans-61 portation and the sum of six dollars per day for subsis-62 tence for each day they are necessarily absent from their 63 homes on the business of said Board.

64 SECTION 5. The Board of World's Fair Managers is 65 authorized and directed to appoint an Executive Commis-66 sioner and to fix his salary, subject to the approval of the 67 Governor, which shall be payable monthly out of the 68 appropriation hereinafter made, and said Executive Com-69 missioner shall be authorized and required to assume and

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70 exercise, subject to the supervision of said Board, all such 71 executive powers and functions as may be necessary to 72 secure a complete and creditable display of the interests 73 of the State at the World's Columbian Exposition of 1893; 74 and, as the Executive Agent of said Board he shall have 75 personal charge of the solicitation, collection, transporta-76 tion, arrangement, and exhibition of the objects sent 77 under the authority of the State to the World's Columbian 78 Exposition of 1893, and of such objects sent by individual 79 citizens of the State as may be by them placed in his 80 charge. He shall make a report to the Board monthly 81 and shall hold office at the pleasure of the Board.

SECTION 6. The said Board shall have charge of the 83 interests of the State and its citizens in the preparation 84 and exhibition, at the World's Columbian Exposition of 85 1893, of the natural and industrial products of the State, 86 and of objects illustrating its history, progress, moral 87 and material welfare and future development, and in all 88 other matters relating to the said World's Columbian 89 Exposition; it shall communicate with the officers of and 90 obtain and disseminate through the State all necessary 91 information regarding said Exposition, and in general 92 have and exercise full authority in relation to the partici-93 pation of the State of Maine and its citizens in the 94 World's Columbian Exposition of 1893.

95 SECTION 7. The said Board shall make a report of 96 its proceedings and expenditures from time to time to 97 the Governor, and at any time upon his written request, 98 to be by him transmitted to the Legislature, together 99 with such suggestions as he may deem important regard-100 ing provision for a complete and creditable representation 101 of the State at the World's Columbian Exposition of 102 1893.

103 SECTION 8. To carry out the provisions of this act, 104 the sum of forty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as 105 may be necessary is hereby appropriated, and upon 106 requisition of said Board, signed by its President and 107 Secretary, and having been approved by the Executive 108 Council, the Governor may draw his warrant upon the 109 State Treasurer for the amount required.

110 SECTION 9. This act shall take effect on and after 111 its approval. •

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IN SENATE, March 12, 1891.

Reported by Mr. HAINES from Committee on World's Columbian Exposition, and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

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KENDALL M. DUNBAR, Secretary.