

NEW DRAFT.

Seventieth Legislature.

SENATE.

No. 113

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE in favor of establishing a fish hatchery and feeding station at Moosehead Lake.

Resolved, That the sum of five thousand dollars is hereby 2 appropriated for the purpose of establishing a fish hatchery 3 at Moosehead lake, to be expended by the commissioners 4 of inland fisheries and game, under the direction of the 5 governor and council, when fifteen hundred dollars shall 6 have been raised and paid into the treasury of the State by 7 the citizens of the county of Piscataquis.

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STATEMENT OF FACTS.

It is a well known fact that the capacity of the present fish hatcheries and feeding stations of the State is entirely inadequate to supply the legitimate demand for the re-stocking of our lakes and ponds, nor is it possible to increase to any material degree the capacity of these hatcheries under the present appropriation, if any effort worthy of anything is to be made towards the enforcement of the laws for the protection of the big game of the State, the fishes and the birds.

Moosehead lake is the largest body of fresh water in New England. It is, in fact, a great inland sea, forty miles long, one of the most famous summer resorts in the world, constantly increasing in popularity and the numbers visiting this great resort is constantly increasing. Hundreds of thousands of dollars are expended there annually by people from outside of this State. It is for the purpose of stocking this lake and keeping up the supply of land-locked salmon and trout that this hatchery is needed.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, March 8, 1901.

Reported by Mr. BURLEIGH, from Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, and laid on table to be printed on motion by Mr. MACFAR-LANE of Piscataquis.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, Secretary.