

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Seventy-first Legislature.

SENATE.

No. 166

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND THREE.

AN ACT to amend section one hundred and six of chapter forty-seven of the Revised Statutes, relating to the reserve fund of Savings Banks.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

Section 1. Section one hundred and six of chapter 2 forty-seven of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by 3 striking out the word "five" in the ninth and eleventh 4 lines and inserting in place thereof the word 'ten,' so that 5 said section as amended shall read as follows:

‘Sect. 106. The trustees, after passing to the reserve 7 fund one quarter of one per cent of the average amount of 8 deposits for the six months previous to declaring a divi-

9 dend, not subject to be divided, shall declare dividends,
10 not exceeding two and a half per cent semi-annually
11 except as hereinafter provided, at such times as are
12 required by their by-laws, among depositors of three
13 months standing at least before dividend day. The cor-
14 poration may by its by-laws include deposits of less
15 standing. The reserve fund shall be kept constantly on
16 hand, to secure against losses and contingencies, until it
17 amounts to ten per cent of the deposits. All losses shall
18 be passed to the debit of said account. And when said
19 reserved fund amounts to ten per cent of the average
20 amount of deposits for the six months previous to declar-
21 ing a dividend, all net profits not otherwise divided,
22 thereafter made by said banks, shall be divided every
23 three years ratably among the depositors of one, two and
24 three full years' standing, as extra dividends. No divi-
25 dends or interest shall be declared, credited or paid,
26 except by a vote of the board of trustees, entered upon
27 their records, whereon shall be recorded the yeas and
28 nays upon such vote. Trustees of savings banks and
29 savings institutions are forbidden to make any semi-
30 annual dividend of a rate per cent which will make the
31 aggregate amount of said dividend greater than the actual
32 earnings of the bank or institution, actually collected.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, March 5, 1903.]

Reported by Mr. TITCOMB from Committee on Banks and Banking,
and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, *Secretary.*