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SEVENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

HOUSE. No. 459

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE in favor of the Norcross Transportation Company to aid in the erection of buoys as guides to navigation in North Twin Lake and adjacent thoroughfares.

Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars 2 be and the same hereby is appropriated out of the money 3 in the treasury to be paid to the Norcross Transportation 4 Company to aid in erecting buoys as guides to navigation 5 in North Twin lake, North Twin thoroughfare, South 6 Twin lake, South Twin thoroughfare, Pemaduncook lake, 7 Pemaduncook thoroughfare, and Ambegigus lake and 8 thoroughfare. Said sum to be paid said company on the 9 delivery to the governor and council of a certificate by 10 one of the steamboat inspectors setting forth that said 11 buoys have been erected at the places and in the manner 12 approved by him.



STATEMENT OF FACTS.

The reason why this appropriation is needed is because the lakes are very shallow and rocky and the water is higher in the spring than it is in the fall. The dam at the foot of the lake holds a twenty-three foot head, so from extreme high to extreme low water it varies about twenty-three feet. In a shallow and rocky lake like this the rocks and sunken islands are out at low water, and at high water they are covered with water and it is impossible to tell where to go unless there are buoys on them between North Twin lake and Punadumcook lake, which is about a distance of one mile. There are a good many rocks that ought to be blasted and removed. Mr. Taylor, one of the steamboat inspectors, has been over the route and he says that these are the worst lakes in the State of Maine to navigate. He also says that there should be money expended every year to keep the same suitable for navigation. The ice takes away and breaks up a number of buoys each spring.

The resolve will benefit all steamboats on the lake as well as the Norcross Transportation Company. There are seven steamboats in all. The Great Northern Paper Company has two, the Norcross Transportation Company has three, P. S. Willy, one, Perkins and Donfetts, one, and there are six or

seven motor boats, all of which would be benefited.

STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, Augusta, March 8, 1907.

Reported by Mr. MAYO from Committee on Interior Waters, and ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, Clerk.