

### SEVENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

# HOUSE

## NO. 673

House of Representatives, March 20, 1911.

Reported by Mr. Williamson from committee on Judiciary, and ordered printed under joint rules.

C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.

### STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to insure publicity with respect to the demands upon the State and to facilitate the Legislative Committees in dealing with questions of appropriation.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows: Section I. On or before November first in each year preceding the convocation of the Legislature, there shall be filed
with the State Auditor by each *individual, corporation,* including municipal corporations, association and institution,
whether private or public, state officer, head of department,
or proper officers of each state hospital, asylum, charitable
or reformatory institutions, the fish and game commissioners,
and all other state commissions, commissioners and boards,
now existing or hereafter constituted, a statement in detail

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10 of all moneys, together with the reasons therefor, for which 11 any general or special appropriation is desired at the ensuing 12 session of the Legislature, excepting, however, from the 13 provisions of this act, all appropriations necessary to meet 14 the expenses of the Legislature while in session, by such in-15 dividual, corporation, association, state officer, department, 16 commission, commissioners, boards, etc. The State Auditor 17 may also from time to time, in his discretion, require any 18 such state officer, department, corporation, association com-19 mission, commissioners, boards, or institutions whether public 20 or private, to report to him as to such other fiscal affairs as 21 the State Auditor shall deem necessary for the proper com-22 pilation of the tabulation as herein provided. Each of the 23 reports and statements of desired appropriation thus made, 24 shall be in form to be prescribed by the State Auditor. The 25 reports and statements of desired appropriations hereinbe-26 fore provided for shall be public records.

Sect. 2. On or before December 15th in each year, as 2 herein provided for, the State Auditor shall make a tabula-3 tion of such statements and reports, provided for by section 4 1 of this act, accompanied by comparative data and estimates, 5 together with such comments and a statement of such other 6 matters as he shall deem necessary and proper for the full 7 comprehension of such tabulation and shall transmit such 8 tabulation to the Governor and representatives-elect, im-9 mediately, and to the Legislature on the first day of its next 10 session. Such tabulation so transmitted shall also contain a statement of all moneys required by the State Auditor, together with the reasons therefor for which any general or
special appropriation is desired by him at the ensuing session
of the Legislature, together with such comparative and other
data as the State Auditor shall deem necessary and proper
for the full comprehension of the purposes last mentioned.