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W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Establish a State Forestry Commission.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby created a State Forestry Com-2 mission, to consist of five persons, whose qualifications, ap-3 pointment, tenure and duties shall be as hereinafter pro-4 vided.

Sect. 2. The Governor, by and with the consent of the 2 Council, upon the taking effect of this act, shall appoint five 3 men to serve as members of said Forestry Commission, who 4 shall be residents of the State of Maine and substantial 5 owners of wild land within the Maine Forestry District as 6 created by Chapter 193 of the Public Laws of 1909; and who 7 shall severally represent through their said ownerships the

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8 five different sections of said Forestry District drained by 9 the St. John, Penobscot, Kennebec, Androscoggin and rivers 10 of Hancock and Washington Counties respectively.

Sect. 3. The members of said Commission shall hold office 2 during the pleasure of the Governor and Council. Any va-3 cancy occasioned by death, resignation, removal or other-4 wise shall be filled by appointment as in the case of the orig-5 inal members, but so that each of said five districts shall be 6 at all times represented on said Commission.

Sect. 4. The duties of said Commission shall be to advise 2 the Forest Commissioner in the performance of his duties 3 arising under Chapter 193 of the Public Laws of 1909, par-4 ticularly with reference to the appointment of fire wardens 5 and other measures for the prevention, control and extin-6 guishment of forest fires.

Sect. 5. The members of said commission shall serve with-2 out pay; but shall be allowed their actual disbursements in . 3 the performance of their duties under this act, to be paid 4 from the funds raised under said Chapter 193 of the Laws 5 of 1909, upon warrants drawn by the Governor and Coun-6 cil as provided in Section 13 of said act.