

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 580

In Senate, March 22, 1913.

Presented by Senator Stearns of Oxford, and on motion by same Senator laid on the table for printing pending first reading.

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

RESOLVE for the revision and consolidation of the Public
Laws.

Resolved, That John A. Morrill of Auburn, is hereby ap-
2 pointed a commissioner, whose duty it shall be to revise,
3 collate, arrange and consolidate all the general and public
4 laws now in force and such as shall be enacted at the pres-
5 ent session of the legislature; preserving unchanged the
6 order and arrangement of the present revised code, and
7 retaining the phraseology thereof, except so far as may be
8 necessary to vary it by incorporating existing laws there-
9 with; and such subsequent laws as are in force at the time
10 of the revision shall be incorporated into the revised code
11 in the appropriate chapters and sections thereof, in language
12 concise and intelligible, and of the same intent, effect and
13 construction; omitting from the new revised code all such

14 parts of the present revised statutes as have been repealed
15 or superseded except chapter seventy-two, relating to in-
16 solvency; and changing the table of contents, headnotes of
17 the chapters and marginal notes to conform to the new
18 revision; adding references to all decisions interpreting the
19 statutes and constitution which appear in the Maine reports
20 published since the ninety-seventh volume, and to all decis-
21 ions interpreting the constitution of the United States which
22 appear in the United States supreme court reports published
23 since the one hundred and eighty-sixth volume; and at the
24 end of each chapter references in syllabus form, to all other
25 chapters and sections of the new revision in which the same
26 subject matter is treated; also suggesting, with proper dis-
27 tinguishing marks, such contradictions, omissions, repeti-
28 tions and imperfections as appear in the present revised
29 statutes and in subsequent laws, and the mode in which the
30 same may be best reconciled, supplied, amended and cor-
31 rected.

Resolved, That said commissioner shall complete said re-
33 vision in separate titles, chapters and sections, and on or
34 before the first day of the regular session of the next legis-
35 lature shall cause five hundred copies thereof, with the con-
36 stitution of the United States and of this state and his re-
37 port, to be printed and bound in paper or board covers, by
38 such person as shall be employed in accordance with the
39 following resolve for the use of the state; and said commis-
40 sioner shall superintend said printing.

Resolved, That the governor and council be and hereby are
42 authorized to arrange the details of the services and com-
43 pensation of said commissioner; and to provide for the
44 printing and binding thereof by the state printer and binder;
45 provided that the compensation of said commissioner, his
46 expense for clerical assistance and stationery, for said re-
47 vision and report, shall not exceed the sum of ten thousand
48 dollars. In the event of a vacancy occurring in the office of
49 commissioner named herein, by death, resignation or other-
50 wise, the governor, with the advice and consent of the coun-
51 cil, is authorized to fill said vacancy.

Resolved, That there be and hereby is appropriated out of
53 any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated the
54 sum of ten thousand dollars for the purpose above specified,
55 to be paid on warrants drawn by the governor, with the ad-
56 vice and consent of the council, in such amounts and at such
57 times as the governor and council may approve.