

SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 209

House of Representatives, Feb. 17, 1915. Ordered, That five hundred copies be printed and that the same be referred to the Committee on Agriculture. Committee on Reference. Presented by Mr. Coffin of Freeport.

STATE OF MAINE

RESOLVE, to promote and assist the interests of poultry culture.

Resolved, That there be and hereby is appropriated the 2 sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) for nineteen hun-3 dred fifteen and three thousand dollars (\$3,000) for nine-4 teen hundred and sixteen to promote and assist the interests 5 of poultry culture in Maine. Such appropriation to be ex-6 pended under the direction of the Commissioner of Agri-7 culture in co-operation with the Maine State Poultry Asso-8 ciation and other similar organizations, and said commis-9 sioner is hereby authorized to employ such agents, assistants 10 or experts as may be deemed practicable to carry out the 11 provisions of this resolve.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Poultry raising, one of Maine's largest agricultural pursuits, although receiving in the past but little attention from State Legislatures, is deserving of assistance from the State such as is being given to other agricultural interests.

Because of the adaptability of our climate, the low cost of land and the relatively small amount of capital required to engage in it, poultry raising offers an exceptional opportunity for the people of Maine, and our agricultural department is constantly receiving requests for information in regard to it.