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## SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

### HOUSE

# NO. 197

House of Representatives, Feb. 9, 1917.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and five hundred copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Rounds of Portland.

### STATE OF MAINE

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

RESOLVE, appointing a commission to investigate and report the advisability of making improvements in Portland Harbor; defining the duties of the commissioners; and providing for the payment of their expenses.

#### Resolved:

Section 1. That the Governor, with the advice and con-2 sent of the Council, be, and he hereby is, authorized and 3 directed to appoint a Commission consisting of five persons, 4 to investigate the condition of Portland Harbor, and re-

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5 port to the next session of the Legislature its recommenda-6 tions relative to the advisability of the State, or the City of 7 Portland, constructing and building into the tide waters of 8 said harbor, a State or Municipal dock; and such further 9 legislation respecting the control thereof, a. said Commis-10 sion may deem necessary and advisable for the public in-11 terests.

Sect. 2. The members of the Commission hereby created, 2 shall serve without compensation; but the Governor and 3 Council are authorized and directed to draw such orders 4 on the State Treasury for a sum, or sums, not exceeding 5 in the aggregate, twenty-five hundred dollars, to pay for 6 clerical, engineering, and other expert assistance, for the 7 Commission in the performance of their duties.

Sect. 3. Said Commission shall not make, nor cause to 2 be made, any survey of the navigable waters of said harbor, 3 unless, upon application to the Governor and Council, the 4 latter shall determine that the surveys made by the United 5 States, are not sufficient for the purposes herein contem-6 plated, and give directions for such further surveys to be 7 made.

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## STATEMENT OF FACTS.

The City of Portland and the United States Government is desirous of making improvements in Portland Harbor.

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