

SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 128

In Senate, Feb. 27, 1919.

Reported by Mr. Creighton from Committee on Banks and Banking and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

P. F. CRANE, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Baxter of Sagadahoc.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND NINETEEN

AN ACT additional to section twenty-seven of chapter fifty-two of the Revised Statutes Permitting Savings Banks and Institutions for Savings to Invest in Certain Kinds of Acceptances.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:Section 1. Savings banks and institutions for savings may2 invest their deposits as follows:

(a) Bankers acceptances and bills of exchange of the
2 kind and maturities made eligible by law for rediscount with
3 federal reserve banks, provided the same are accepted by a
4 trust and banking company, incorporated under the laws of
5 this state, or a member of the federal reserve system located
6 in any of the New England states or the state of New York.

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(b) Bills of exchange drawn by the seller on the pur-2 chaser of goods sold and accepted by such purchaser of the 3 kind and maturities made eligible by law for rediscount with 4 federal reserve banks, provided the same are endorsed by a 5 trust and banking company incorporated under the laws of 6 this state, or a member of the federal reserve system located 7 in any of the New England states or the state of New York.

Sect. 2. Not more than ten per centum of the assets of any 2 savings bank or institution for savings shall be invested in 3 such acceptances. The aggregate amount of the liability of 4 any trust and banking company or of any national bank to 5 any savings bank or institution for savings, whether as prin-6 cipal or indorser, for acceptances held by such savings bank 7 or institution for savings, shall not exceed twenty per centum 8 of the paid-up capital and surplus of such trust and banking 9 company or national bank, and not more than five per centum 10 of the assets of any savings bank or institution for savings 11 shall be invested in the acceptances of a trust and banking 12 company or of a national bank of which a trustee of such 13 savings bank or institution for savings is a director.