

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

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SENATE

NO. 219

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In Senate, March 14, 1919.

Referred to Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries and 500  
ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

P. F. CRANE, Secretary.

Presented by Mr. Gordon of York.

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT to Establish the Maine Fisheries Biological Station.

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

Section 1. There shall be established by the Department of  
2 Sea and Shore Fisheries a Biological Station to be known and  
3 designated as the Maine Fisheries Biological Station, said  
4 station shall be situated upon a site to be selected by the  
5 Commission of Sea and Shore Fisheries and shall be con-  
6 structed under the direction of said department.

Sect. 2. Said Maine Fisheries Biological Station shall be  
2 maintained under the direction of said department of Sea  
3 and Shore Fisheries for the purpose of studying fish life  
4 and subjects related thereto. It shall also conduct scientific

5 investigations into the life cycle of all fish indigenous to  
6 Maine tidal waters, record their movements, methods of  
7 curing, established standards for fish products, and carry  
8 on experiments in fish culture. The director of the Maine  
9 Fisheries Biological Station shall have the general super-  
10 vision, management and control of said station, and of all  
11 investigations there instituted.

Sect. 3. Said Maine Fisheries Biological Station shall also  
2 conduct scientific investigations relating to the fixed shell fish  
3 on the coast of Maine and shall make experiments and obser-  
4 vations on clam culture, and the raising of clam seed on a  
5 commercial basis.

Sect. 4. The Commission of Sea and Shore Fisheries  
2 shall appoint a Director of the Maine Fisheries Biological  
3 Station who may be removed by them at their pleasure.  
4 Said director shall receive the sum of eighteen hundred dol-  
5 lars per year; in full for his services and in addition thereto  
6 he shall also receive his actual expenses incurred in the per-  
7 formance of his duties. Said director shall have and exer-  
8 cise personal supervision of the work of said Biological  
9 Station, shall make all bacteriological examinations, and  
10 reports of work accomplished by said station to the said  
11 Commission as they may request.

Sect. 5. Said Commission of Sea and Shore Fisheries  
2 shall investigate the working of Biological Stations in other  
3 states, and report the result of said investigations together  
4 with plans and specifications for the construction of said

5 Biological Station to the Governor and Council for their  
6 approval.

Sect. 6. The sum of ten thousand dollars during the year  
2 nineteen hundred and nineteen shall be appropriated to estab-  
3 lish the Maine Fisheries Biological Station, to erect suitable  
4 buildings therefor and furnish the requisite apparatus and  
5 scientific instruments. Said sum shall be expended under the  
6 direction of the Sea and Shore Fisheries Commission.

Sect. 7. The sum of seven thousand dollars shall be appro-  
2 priated annually beginning in the year nineteen hundred and  
3 twenty in favor of the Maine Fisheries Biological Station for  
4 the maintenance thereof and the same shall be expended by  
5 the Director of said station in executing the provisions of the  
6 preceding sections relating to said maintenance and in pub-  
7 lishing a bulletin of work accomplished.