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EIGHTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

S. P. No. 43

S. D. No. 21

In Senate, Jan. 27, 1925.

Referred to Committee on Maine Publicity and 1500 copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Maher of Kennebec.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Create a State Broadcasting Station.

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

Section 1. The governor and council are hereby author-

- 2 ized to erect, maintain and operate a State radio broadcast-
- 3 ing station for the State of Maine on State land at the seat
- 4 of government. Said broadcasting station shall be not less
- 5 than five hundred watts capacity and shall be available under
- 6 suitable rules and regulations as made from time to time
- 7 by the governor and council for the dissemination of news,
- 8 facts and information relative to the State of Maine, its peo-
- 9 ple, institutions, and interests.

Sect. 2. The immediate management and supervision of

- 2 said State radio broadcasting station shall be vested in a
- 3 State commissioner of publicity, who shall be appointed by
- 4 the governor with the advice and consent of the council, to
- 5 serve during the pleasure of the governor, and who shall
- 6 receive such reasonable compensation as shall be fixed by
- 7 the governor and council.
- Sect. 3. Said broadcasting station shall give at all times
- 2 precedence to official matters relative to the apprehension of
- 3 violators of the law, and the detection and prevention of
- 4 crime, and orders relative to the conservation and protec-
- 5 tion of property subject to regulation by State or Federal
- 6 authority.
- Sect. 4. In order to effectuate the purposes of this act,
- 2 there shall be and hereby is appropriated the sum of thirty
- 3 thousand dollars for construction and twenty-five thousand
- 4 dollars for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen
- 5 hundred and twenty-six, and twenty-five thousand dollars
- 6 for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred
- 7 and twenty-seven, for maintenance and operation.