

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

S. P. No. 27

S. D. No. 24

In Senate, Jan. 27, 1925.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Case of Washington.

STATE OF MAINE

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

RESOLVE, Making Appropriation for the Study and Control
of the Fruit or Blueberry Fly in Maine.

Resolved: That there be and hereby is appropriated the
2 sum of ten thousand dollars for the fiscal year ending June
3 thirtieth, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, to be expended
4 under direction of the commissioner of agriculture in re-
5 pelling, destroying and mitigating the ravages of, and in pre-
6 venting the spread and distribution of the fruit fly infesting
7 blueberries grown in the State of Maine; provided that any
8 balance of the sum above appropriated for the fiscal year
9 ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and twenty-six,
10 which may remain unexpended at the end of the said period

It shall be available for expenditure during the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

An injurious and obnoxious insect known as the blueberry fly has appeared in unusual numbers in the blueberry growing areas of Maine during the past two seasons. The larvae of the fly frequently appear in canned products, constituting a serious menace to the industry.

Owing to the fact that Maine must soon face serious competition in the canning of this product from Canada and certain portions of Michigan and Wisconsin, it is deemed necessary that every possible measure for the control and suppression of the insect be taken and it is for the purpose of studying and controlling the ravages of the blueberry fly that this appropriation is asked.