

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House Document

No. 40

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H. P. 56

House of Representatives, Jan. 26, 1927.

ORDERED, That there be printed 500 copies of House Paper No. 56 entitled "An Act Relating to Pilots for Port of Portland." Read and passed.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Rounds of Portland.

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT Relating to Pilots for Port of Portland.

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

Section ten of chapter one hundred and ninety-two of the  
2 private and special laws of one thousand nine hundred and  
3 seventeen, is hereby amended by striking out all of said  
4 section ten and in place thereof, inserting the following:

'Sect. 10. *Pilots; Compulsory; Board May Issue a Branch  
2 upon Examination; Shall be Recorded; Subject to Revo-  
3 cation.* Said board shall appoint such number of pilots for  
4 the harbor of Portland as it deems necessary for the safety

5 and convenience of commerce, fix and establish such com-  
6 pensation for the services of said pilots as may, from time  
7 to time, be deemed just and reasonable. Every inward  
8 bound vessel, drawing nine feet of water and upwards, ex-  
9 cept coasting and fishing vessels, shall be held to pay such  
10 pilots the regular fees for pilotage, whether their services  
11 are accepted or not, provided a pilot boat is on her station  
12 and prepared to furnish a pilot to such vessel; a pilot boat  
13 shall not be obliged to remain on her station at all times;  
14 every outward bound vessel, except as above provided, shall,  
15 whether their services are accepted or not, be held to pay  
16 the regular fees to the pilot who brought her in, or if no  
17 such pilot, then to the pilot first offering his services; a  
18 pilot shall have a lien for his pilotage fees on all vessels  
19 liable therefor. Persons desiring a branch shall make writ-  
20 ten application to said board, stating their qualifications  
21 therefor; and the said board shall make careful examination  
22 and investigation of the qualifications of the applicant, and  
23 if satisfied that he has the requisite qualifications, may give  
24 the applicant a branch under the hands of its members and  
25 the seal of the board, authorizing such person to act as pilot  
26 for the term of five years from the date of his appointment;  
27 and thereafter, said board may from time to time, renew  
28 the same.

‘Said branch may be revoked at any time by said board, for  
2 negligence, incapacity, or for any other reason that said  
3 board may deem sufficient. The branch, so granted, shall

4 be recorded by the clerk of said board in a book kept for  
5 that purpose, entitled "Pilots for the Port of Portland";  
6 and the clerk shall receive from the applicant for making  
7 such record, the sum of five dollars.'