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No. 16

S. P. 11

In Senate, Dec. 5, 1933.

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

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Viles of Kennebec.

AN ACT to Empower the United States of America to Acquire Lands in the State of Maine by Purchase, Gift or Condemnation for National Forests, and Granting to the United States all Rights Necessary for Establishment, Control and Administration of such Forests.

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

Sec. 1. Federal Government authorized to acquire land for forestry purposes. The consent of the state of Maine is hereby given to the acquisition by the United States, by purchase, gift, or condemnation, with adequate compensation, of such lands in the state of Maine as in the opinion of the Federal Government may be needed for the establishment, consolidation and extension of national forests in the state; provided, that the state of Maine shall retain a concurrent jurisdiction with the United States in and over lands so acquired so far that civil process in all cases, and such criminal process as may issue under the authority of the state of Maine against any person charged with the commission of any crime without or within said jurisdiction, may be executed thereon in like manner as if this act had not been passed.

Sec. 2. Federal Government authorized to make rules and regulations for the administration of such forests. Power is hereby conferred upon the Congress of the United States to pass such laws and to make or provide for the making of such rules and regulations, of both a civil and criminal nature, and provide punishment therefor, as in its judgment may be necessary for the administration, control, and protection of such lands as are acquired by the United States.'