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EIGHTY - SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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H. P. 419 House of Representatives, January 24, 1935.
Referred to Committee on Agriculture and 500 copies ordered printed.
Sent up for concurrence.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Clarke of Cooper.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Authorize the Farm Lands Loan Commission to Make Certain Funds Available for the Commissioner of Agriculture.

Whereas, the severe winter of 1933 and 1934 killed numerous orchards in Maine thereby causing distress to many orchardists; and

Whereas, such orchardists do not have available resources to purchase new stock and the apple industry is likely to suffer severely thereby; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of section 16 of Article XXXI of the constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now therefore,

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

- Sec. 1. Funds made available for loans to orchardists. The farm lands loan commission is hereby authorized to make available to the commissioner of agriculture funds from the reserved land fund not to exceed \$11,000 to be used for loans to purchasers of apple tree stock previously contracted for by them to replace orchards destroyed by severe winter injury as aforesaid.
- Sec. 2. Commissioner authorized to accept notes. The commissioner of agriculture is hereby authorized to accept non-interest bearing notes

from orchardists who have already filed applications, said notes to become due in 2 years from date and to be extended only by approval of the farm lands loan commission.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble hereof this act shall take effect when approved.