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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Cross of Augusta.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-ONE

RESOLVE, in Favor of Vernon A. Soule, of Augusta.

Vernon A. Soule; reimbursed. Resolved: That there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of \$3,000 to be paid to Vernon A. Soule of Augusta, to compensate him in full for the loss of his airplane, which was stored in the state hangar at the Augusta State Airport, and was destroyed by fire, together with said hangar on February 9, 1938.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Mr. Vernon A. Soule of Augusta, prior to February 9, 1938, was the owner of a Stinson airplane which he stored at the State Airport for a monthly rental of \$10 per month. For some time prior to February 9, 1938, the hangar doors had been jamming to such a degree that they could be opened only with great difficulty. On said February 9, 1938, Mr. Soule's plane was in the hangar. Just before closing time a plane belonging to the state was put in the hangar and the doors closed. Shortly thereafter a fire was discovered in the state plane. Attendants started to take out the Soule plane but were unable to do so because of the fact that the hangar doors jammed. As a result the Soule plane was destroyed. Mr. Soule's loss was \$3,000, for which he asks to be reimbursed.