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S. P. 371

In Senate, February 11, 1941.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence and 650 copies ordered printed.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Laughlin of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-ONE

RESOLVE, Relating to the Revision of the General and Public Laws.

Resolved: (1) That the governor shall appoint a commissioner to revise the general and public laws of the state, incorporating the public laws of the present session; correcting the notes and annotations of sections to correspond with the final draft of the revision; preparing notes and references for new sections; adding references to all appropriate cases reported in the Maine reports, and to report the final draft of such revision in print, with such additions as may be made under the provisions of this resolve;

(2) That the work of revision be performed by said commissioner under the supervision of a joint select committee consisting of 3 members of the senate, to be appointed by the president of the senate, and 7 members of the house, to be appointed by the speaker of the house, which said committee shall function after the adjournment of the present session of the legislature for that purpose. Said committee is hereby authorized in its discretion to index or to make proper arrangements for the indexing of the revised statutes and the constitutions of the United States and of Maine;

(3) That the governor and council provide for the printing and binding of the report of the said commissioner, submitting the final draft of the revision of the public laws of the state, and for the printing and binding, as soon as may be after the enactment thereof, of 4,000 copies of the revised

statutes of the state with the constitution thereof, the constitution of the United States, the repealing act, and the index prepared under the provisions of this resolve. Said revised statutes shall be bound in such style as to size of volumes, page, width of margin, printing, paper and binding as may be approved by the governor and council;

(4) That the governor and council may also contract with some responsible person or persons for the publication of the revised statutes of the state with the constitution thereof, the constitution of the United States, the repealing act and the index prepared under the provisions of this resolve, upon such terms and conditions as they deem necessary for the interests of the state; and in said contract the governor and council may fix the retail price at which the statutes so published shall be sold within the state;

(5) That the secretary of state shall secure the copyright of said volume or volumes for the use of the state and that the title to the annotations and the index contained in said volume be and remain the property of the state;

(6) That the governor and council are hereby authorized to audit and cause to be paid the services and expenses of said commissioner and said committee and of such clerks and other assistants as may be necessary for said commissioner and said committee to employ;

(7) That the sum of \$60,000 be and hereby is appropriated for carrying out the provisions of the foregoing resolve;

(8) That this resolve pertaining solely to facilitating the performance of the business of the legislature and of a committee thereof, shall take effect upon approval.