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House of Representatives, February 4, 1943.

Referred to Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Seeger of Kittery.

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## STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-THREE

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### **AN ACT Relating to Superintendent of Public Buildings.**

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

**Sec. 1. Superintendent of public buildings; appointment and compensation.** The governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall appoint a superintendent of public buildings for a term of 3 years, or at the pleasure of the governor and council. He shall serve until a successor has been appointed and qualified. He shall be a full-time employee of the state and his compensation shall be fixed by the governor and council.

**Sec. 2. Definition of general supervision.** General supervision shall mean supervision of all maintenance, repairs, and construction made on state owned or leased property, or construction of all new state property.

**Sec. 3. Superintendent of public buildings, qualifications required for.** The qualifications for superintendent of public buildings shall be a thorough knowledge of construction of large buildings; ability to interpret engineering plans, estimates, specifications, and reports, together with knowledge of building supplies and materials; and experience in active building construction.

**Sec. 4. Duties of superintendent of public buildings.** The superintendent of public buildings shall have control and general supervision of the

state house and the public grounds, buildings and property connected with the state house, and make, or supervise the making, of all construction, repairs, alterations, and improvements in and about such grounds and buildings, and also have general supervision over construction, repairs, alterations, and improvements to all other buildings, lands and property of the state, wherever located in the state; provided, however, that the powers and duties of the superintendent shall not include those already granted by law to the Maine State Office Building Authority.

The superintendent shall assign the rooms in all public buildings used by the state, and may determine the occupancy thereof in such manner as the public service may require. The superintendent may employ such help as may be reasonably necessary to enable him to perform his duties. The superintendent may, in such manner as he may deem proper, provide for food service in the state house.

The provisions of this section shall not apply to the state park east of the state house which is by law under the exclusive supervision, direction and control of the state park commission as provided in section 26 of chapter 2.

**Sec. 5. Inspection of new construction.** The head of the department concerned, on any construction of or repairs to buildings owned or leased by the state, shall if necessary employ such inspectors of construction as are needed to fully protect the interests of the state, and these inspectors shall be employed only during the period of actual construction. The compensation of said inspectors shall be fixed by the head of the department concerned and said compensation shall become a part of construction costs of such projects and paid from the appropriations that provide for the same. All inspectors so employed shall be under the direction and supervision of the superintendent of public buildings.

**Sec. 6. Inspectors, qualifications required for.** The qualifications for inspectors shall be the equivalent of high school training; preferably training in civil engineering and architectural drawing at an institution of recognized standing; experience in building construction work or the supervision thereof; and thorough knowledge of modern methods and materials used in building construction.

**Sec. 7. To examine and approve contracts.** All contracts for repairs and construction of state buildings shall be examined and approved by the superintendent of public buildings prior to their submission to the governor and council for their final approval and acceptance.

**Sec. 8. Bond.** The superintendent of public buildings shall give a fidelity type bond to the state. The conditions and sum of said bond shall be determined by the governor and council.

**Sec. 9. Report.** The superintendent of public buildings shall submit an annual report to the governor and council, and such other reports as the governor and council may require.

**Sec. 10. R. S., c. 2, §§ 29, 30, repealed.** Sections 29 and 30 of chapter 2 of the revised statutes are hereby repealed.

**Sec. 11. R. S., c. 125, § 26, repealed.** Section 26 of chapter 125 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed.

**Sec. 12. P. L., 1935, c. 177, repealed.** Chapter 177 of the public laws of 1935 is hereby repealed.

**Sec. 13. Amending clause.** All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed or amended to conform herewith.