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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Corson of Hodgdon.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-FIVE

**RESOLVE, Providing for the Abatement of Certain Interest Owed by
the Town of Linneus.**

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the town of Linneus owes the state \$1635.38 for state taxes, and interest amounting to \$951.57; and

Whereas, the town of Linneus is in dire financial straits and is making an effort to establish a sound financial structure; and

Whereas, it is necessary for the state to rebate to the town of Linneus whatever interest has accrued on the taxes owed; 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

Town of Linneus; abatement of certain interest owed on taxes. Resolved: That the treasurer of state be, and hereby is, authorized to rebate to the town of Linneus the sum of \$951.57 which has accumulated on the amount of state taxes which are owed by such town to the state.

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

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The town of Linneus owes the state of Maine \$1635.38 for state taxes. The accumulated interest at the rate of 6% amounts to \$951.57. The tax rate in said town is 82 mills which is nearly 30 mills above the average tax rate in the state. The town is making an effort to establish a good financial foundation for the town but this has been difficult. The town has between 3000 and 4000 acres of wild land, the owners of which have gone through bankruptcy so that the town has received very little taxes on this land since 1938. It would be of great financial aid to the town if the interest on the taxes were rebated so that the town could pay for what it owes in full without the accumulated interest.