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Legislative Document

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H. P. 1149

House of Representatives, February 13, 1947.

Referred to Committee on Claims. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Palmer of Nobleboro.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-SEVEN

RESOLVE, In favor of Harold E. Poland, Jr., of Damariscotta, Maine.

Harold E. Poland, Jr.; compensated. Resolved: That there be, and hereby is, appropriated the sum of \$220 to be paid to Harold E. Poland, Jr., of Damariscotta, in full for all claim against the state for damage done to his automobile, a 1935 Terraplane Coupe, Engine No. 74851, Registration No. 134496, stolen from in front of his boarding house at Newcastle sometime between the hours of 10:00 P M, March 18, 1946, and 7:45 A M, March 19, 1946, by one William Robert Olson of 706 Main Street, of Rockland, who had escaped from the Knox County Jail through the negligence of the officials of said jail.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

On the evening of March 18, 1946, Harold E. Poland, Jr., now of Damariscotta, but on that date living at Newcastle, parked his automobile in front of The Twin Village House, where he lived and boarded, said automobile being the same as that described in the above resolve.

On the morning of March 19, 1946, the said Harold E. Poland, Jr. discovered that his automobile was not where he had parked it the night before and he immediately notified the State Police Barracks at Thomaston. Later in the day the car was found on Route No. 1 in the town of Brunswick, in a wrecked condition, it having been in a head on collision with another automobile. Trooper George Buzzell of the State Police arrested one William Robert Olson of 706 Main Street, Rockland, and he was tried in the Brunswick Municipal Court for taking a car without the authority of the owner and sentenced to six months in the County Jail. He was also tried for operating a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor and fined \$200 and costs of \$10.60 or 60 days in jail. He was also found guilty of operating without a license and fined \$10 and costs of \$4.80 or 30 days in jail. He defaulted payment, was committed to the Cumberland County Jail, in Portland, to serve his sentences consecutively.

The above William Robert Olson had escaped from the Knox County jail at Rockland, sometime during the 18th day of March, 1946, said escape being because of the negligence of the officials of said jail and it was he who stole the car from the said Harold E. Poland, Jr. and, therefore, because of the negligence of the jail officials, the said Harold E. Poland, Jr., should be recompensed for his loss.

The amount payable on this Resolve is based on the fact that about one month prior to the theft of this car the said Harold E. Poland, Jr. purchased same from one Thomas Steer of Round Pond, Maine, for \$250, said car being in good running order, and that after the illegal taking of the car by William Robert Olson, who escaped from the jail at Rockland, the car was damaged to such an extent that it was only good for junk and was sold back to Mr. Thomas Steer by the owner, Harold E. Poland, Jr., for the sum of \$30, which is hereby credited against the original purchase price of \$250, making a net loss to Harold E. Poland, Jr., of \$220.