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S. P. 315

In Senate, February 14, 1947.

Transmitted by revisor of statutes pursuant to joint order

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

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Leavitt of Cumberland.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-SEVEN

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**AN ACT Relating to Purposes and Powers of Maine Port Authority.**

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

**P. & S. L., 1929, c. 114, § 1, sub-§ (b), amended.** The 1st sentence of subsection (b) of section 1 of chapter 114 of the private and special laws of 1929, as amended by chapter 5 of the private and special laws of 1941, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'The said Port Authority is constituted a public agency of the state of Maine for the general purpose of acquiring, constructing and operating piers and terminal facilities at the port of Portland, with all the rights, privileges and power necessary therefor, and shall have the power of buying, leasing and otherwise acquiring and of holding, owning, controlling, constructing, leasing, operating and otherwise using and of selling and otherwise disposing of real and personal property and such rights and easements therein as its directors may from time to time consider necessary for the purpose of constructing, or securing the constructing or utilizing of piers and in connection therewith, highways, waterways, railroad connections, storage yards and sites for warehouses and industrial establishments, and may lay out and build thereon such piers, with buildings and appurtenances, docks, highways, waterways, railroad connections, storage yards,

elevators, public warehouses, and every kind of railroad and marine terminal facility, as, in the opinion of its directors may be desirable; for a term not exceeding 5 years, it may lease, demise or rent any of its real or personal property not required in the performance of its functions; and for a period not exceeding 5 years, ~~and in a sum not exceeding \$5,000~~ by vote of its directors, it may make any contract or agreement for the carrying on or performance of its purposes or for the more advantageous, expeditious or convenient discharge of its duties; no form of indebtedness issued or liabilities incurred by said Port Authority shall become an obligation of the state of Maine and all instruments so issued shall so state; it may acquire, hold and operate lighters and other vessels necessary or convenient; it may establish and collect the fees, rates, rentals and other compensation for the use of its property and facilities; it shall keep account of its income and expenditures, property and liabilities, in manner approved by the state auditor, who shall audit its books of accounts at least once a year, and it shall make an annual report of the condition of its property and finances to the governor and council; the net income of the Port Authority may be used for improvements and extensions of the property of the Port Authority in the discretion of its directors.'