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Legislative Document

No. 1495

In Senate, May 1, 1947.

Tabled by Senator Barnes of Aroostook pending adoption and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Williams of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-SEVEN

Senate Amendment "A" to S. P. 522, L. D. 1423, Bill "An Act Creating a State Forest Commission."

Amend said Bill by striking out the title thereof and inserting in place thereof the following title: 'An Act Relating to the Forest Commissioner.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

"**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 32, § 1, amended.** Section 1 of chapter 32 of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 372 of the public laws of 1945, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 1. Forest commissioner; appointment; qualifications; duties in respect to public lands; salary. A forest commissioner, as heretofore appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the council, hereinafter in this chapter called the "commissioner," shall be a ~~trained forester or a person of skill and experience in the care and preservation of forest lands and shall hold his office for a term of 4 years~~ qualified graduate of a recognized forestry school and shall have had adequate experience to handle the forestry problems of the state of Maine. He shall administer the conservation of the forests of the state. The commissioner shall superintend and manage the sale and settlement of the public lands. He shall not when appointed, or while in office, be directly or indirectly concerned in the lum-

ber business on the state lands, or in the purchase thereof, or of any timber or grass growing or cut thereon. The commissioner shall receive an annual salary of \$6,000 ~~of which amount \$3,000 shall be paid from funds raised and created by the tax assessed under the provisions of section 74.~~ He shall hold his office for a term of 4 years and may be removed for cause by the governor and council.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 32, § 84, amended. Section 84 of chapter 32 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 32 of chapter 378 of the public laws of 1945, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 84. Expenses, how paid; salary of deputy forest commissioner. All expenses incurred under the provisions of sections 73 to 83, inclusive, and sections 84 to 86, inclusive, shall be paid from the funds raised and created by the tax assessed under the provisions of section 74. The deputy forest commissioner shall receive annually the sum of \$700, to be paid from the funds provided under said section, in addition to the salary now provided for the clerk to the commissioner. ~~The commissioner shall also receive from said funds the sum of \$3,000 per year in addition to the salary as now provided by law.'~~"