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S. P. 366

In Senate, February 10, 1949.

Referred to Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Sleeper of Knox.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-NINE

RESOLVE Directing Commissioner of Sea and Shore Fisheries to Make
Study of Herring and Means of Avoiding Their Depletion.

Study of herring and means of avoiding depletion. Resolved: That the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to make a comprehensive study of the supply of herring along the Maine coast and of conservation measures necessary for the purpose of preventing their depletion. A full report of this study, together with recommendations based thereon, shall be made to the 95th legislature to assist it in determining whether or not measures should be introduced for the conservation of herring; and be it further

Resolved: That the sum of \$3,000 be, and hereby is, appropriated from the general fund of the state for purposes of the study; said sum to be expended under the direction of the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The sardine industry in California is a thing of the past, due to the depletion of herring. Many of the California packers are working toward the Maine coast and a study should be made in an endeavor to prevent depletion of herring along the Maine coast and loss of the sardine fishing and packing industries which are of great importance to the state.