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S. P. 537

In Senate, April 11, 1951.

Reported by Senator Larrabee of Sagadahoc from Committee on Natural Resources and printed under Joint Rules No. 10.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Acquisition of National Forests in Oxford County.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the federal government has acquired in the state a great deal of land for national forests; and

Whereas, such acquisitions deprive the several cities and towns of needed taxable property; and

Whereas, such loss of taxable property prevents the towns from adequately carrying out their normal functions; and

Whereas, the resulting hardship on the people of the several towns should be prevented in the future; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning 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 enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., c. 32, § 20, amended. Section 20 of chapter 32 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph, to read as follows:

'The provisions of this section as they relate to Oxford county shall be limited to such acquisition as shall have been actually acquired prior to the effective date of this act and no further land in Oxford county shall be acquired after such date.'

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