

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 337

House of Representatives, February 6, 1957.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Bruce of Buxton.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-SEVEN

RESOLVE, Appropriating Money for Forest Rehabilitation.

Forest rehabilitation; appropriating money. Resolved: That the State authorize and institute a Forest Rehabilitation Program making use of the Federal Soil Bank Program as and if available, on unstocked and poorly stocked potential forest land, either public or private, with first priority to areas burned in 1947; that use of inmates of State Institutions, including penal, be authorized whenever possible or feasible in the Rehabilitation Program; that \$100,000 in each of the years 1957-1958 and 1958-1959 be and hereby is appropriated from the general fund for use by the State Forestry Department to grow forest nursery trees and participate in the cost of such forest rehabilitation up to 50% of the total cost on private land, including the value of trees; and any unexpended balances shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account until the purposes of this resolve have been accomplished.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Forest land is one of Maine's greatest natural resources and to rehabilitate poorly stocked forest land is in the best interest of conservation.