

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES,

PASSED BY THE

TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

JANUARY SESSION, 1840.

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Chapter 67.

Resolve relating to a general bankrupt law.

WHEREAS, by the Constitution of the United States, power is expressly bestowed upon Congress to establish "uniform laws on the subject of bankruptcies throughout the United States," therefore,

Resolved, That the present situation of this country is such as demands the immediate action of Congress upon the subject of a general bankrupt law; and that we earnestly recommend, and pray, that an act may be passed at the present session, providing some uniform system, by which a numerous class of our fellow citizens may be relieved from present embarrassment, and which may provide an efficient future relief for honest but unfortunate debtors.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted by the Governor to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress, to be laid before the bodies of which they are respectively members; and that they be requested to use all their influence to accomplish the object stated in the foregoing Resolve.

[*Approved March 18, 1840.*]

Chapter 68.

Resolve relating to the Massachusetts claim.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of this State be, and he hereby is authorized to receive from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the proportion of the Massachusetts claim belonging to this State under the "act of separation" which has been allowed or may be allowed and paid to that government and to make and execute in behalf of this State proper discharges for the same.

[*Approved March 18, 1840.*]

Bankrupt law.

Governor transmit to
&c. copies,

Massachusetts claim
Treasurer of
State authorized
to receive proportion
of claim, &c.