

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

## THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

OF THE

## STATE OF MAINE,

A. D. 1852.

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Published by the Secretary of State, agreeably to resolves of June 28, 1820, February  
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**CHAP. 471.** thereof to the governor and council, with report of the statistics of agriculture and laborers, and of products, and employment generally.

[Approved April 24, 1852.]

### Chapter 471.

Resolves relating to a ship canal across the state of Florida.

Commercial  
interests, &c.

*Resolved*, by the senate and house of representatives in legislature assembled, That the citizens of the State of Maine, largely engaged as they are in ship building and commerce, have a strong and direct interest in the construction of any works, which will save their ships from the dangers and delays of the navigation along the reefs and around the Cape of Florida.

Ship Canal.

*Resolved*, That a ship canal across Florida, if practicable, would be such a work; and as it would benefit the commerce and navigation of all the commercial states of the Union, it is eminently a national work and should be constructed by the general government.

Survey of, &c.

*Resolved*, That we cordially unite with our brethren in Alabama, in calling the attention of the government of the United States to the importance of causing a survey to be made to test the practicability of constructing such a canal.

*Resolved*, That the governor be requested to send a copy of these resolves to the governors of the several states and to each of our senators and representatives in congress.

[Approved April 24, 1852.]

### Chapter 472.

Resolve in relation to certain debts due the state.

Claims for  
stumpage,  
how adjusted,  
&c.

*Resolved*, That the land agent and treasurer be, and they hereby are directed to investigate the character of the claims of the state against individuals, for stumpage, cut prior to, and including the year eighteen forty-seven, and to report to the next legislature all cases in which equitable claims for offsets or reductions may exist, with such recommendations in relation thereto, as he may think proper; and when no such equities are made to appear, he is hereby instructed to take such

measures, for the immediate collection of said obligations, as he may deem most judicious and expedient for the interest of the state—first giving notice to all parties interested.

CHAP. 473.

[Approved April 24, 1852.]

### Chapter 473.

Resolve to correct error in account allowed city of Calais.

*Resolved,* That the state treasurer be directed to retain the amount of one hundred and twenty-four dollars erroneously allowed the city of Calais in June last, for bounty on animals, the same having been undrawn.

Treasurer of state to retain certain money.

[Approved April 24, 1852.]

### Chapter 474.

Resolve in favor of John Hibbard.

*Resolved,* That the governor and council are hereby authorized to examine, or appoint some person to examine the claim of John Curtis of Perry, to a lot of land in the town of Perry, which was sold by Peter Avery agent of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians to John Hibbard of Perry by virtue of a resolve approved August fourteenth, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, authorizing the agent of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians, to sell the same, and if said claim of John Curtis is found just, to settle with said Curtis or said John Hibbard and clear the state from any liabilities on the deed of warrantee from said agent to said Hibbard.

Claim adjusted and settled.

[Approved April 24, 1852.]

### Chapter 475.

Resolve making an appropriation for the repair of the road from township letter F in the second range to township number eleven in the fifth range in the county of Aroostook.

*Resolved,* That the land agent be and he hereby is authorized to expend the sum of one thousand dollars upon the road

\$1,000, repair of road.