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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

FORTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1863.

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Chapter 274.

Resolves relating to the future establishment of an industrial college.

Board of regents, how to be chosen.

Resolved, That a board of regents consisting of thirteen persons be chosen by this legislature in joint convention, whose duties and powers and the duration thereof, shall hereafter be prescribed by legislative enactment, said board to be a board of regents of such institution or college as shall hereafter be established by the state under the provisions of the act of congress approved July second, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, entitled "an act donating public lands to the several states and territories which may provide colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts," and said agents are hereby authorized to take and receive from the governor an assignment of the land scrip that may be issued to the state under said act, and to act as assignees thereof, as contemplated by said act of congress; said assignees may locate the same in their own names, but for the use and benefit of the state, and for the objects proposed in said act of congress, and for said purpose, the governor is hereby authorized duly to assign said scrip to said regents; provided however, the governor shall not so assign said scrip to said regents before the session of another legislature, unless by a major vote of said regents to be certified by them to the governor and council to the effect that an earlier location would be for the best interests of the state, and that a longer delay in locating the same would be prejudicial; and the governor shall thereupon so assign such scrip, if a majority of the council shall so advise by vote, and said regents may sell said scrip, or such portion of the same, as the governor and council shall advise, receiving therefor only the lawful money of the United States.

Board to be a committee for certain purposes.

Resolved, That the persons constituting said board be also a committee, whose duties shall be to solicit and receive subscriptions and donations, and also proposals for location for a college to be established under said act of congress, to entertain all propositions, which may be made for that purpose, to deliberate upon and consider the respective advantages of the various locations, examine such establishments of a similar character as may be accessible to them, confer with other states engaged in the same enterprise, and prepare and provide plans, estimates and a working educational system in accordance with the spirit and intent of said act of congress, and gather all such other information as they may deem useful in considering of the establishment of such an institution, and report to the next legislature; but no expenses shall be incurred under this second resolve to be made a charge against the state.