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### Chapter 100.

Resolve relating to Hell Gate pilot law.

WHEREAS, A bill has been introduced in the legislature of the State of New York to repeal that portion of the so called Hell Gate law contained in chapter two hundred and ninety-three of the laws of the State of New York, passed April five, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, compelling the payment of half pilotage by all vessels of one hundred tons burden and over, when no service of pilot is either required or rendered;

Hell Gate pilot law, New York.

AND WHEREAS, Said Hell Gate pilot law as it now stands is unjust and oppressive, an impediment to commerce and a greivous burden upon vessel owners;

AND WHEREAS, the enforcement of the half pilotage clause of said law has cost citizens of the State of Maine and the other New England states upwards of three hundred thousand dollars during the year eighteen hundred and seventy-two, for which no equivalent has been rendered; therefore

*Resolved*, That the governor be requested to represent to the governor and legislature of the State of New York the views of the vessel owners of this state doing business with the port of New York, and to urge the repeal of any and all laws requiring vessel owners to pay for pilotage services which are neither required nor rendered.

—repeal of, requested.

Approved January 25, 1873.