

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

FIFTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1880.

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CHAP. 177 attendant upon the investigation, upon election returns, and expenditures of public moneys, under the order of February five, eighteen hundred and eighty, the same to be paid out upon vouchers approved by said committee, and upon warrant of the governor.

Approved March 3, 1880.

### Chapter 177.

Resolve to provide for the uniforming of the onlisted men of the Maine Volunteer Militia.

Uniforming militia, to provide for.

*Resolved*, That the sum of eighteen thousand dollars be, and hereby is, appropriated to the Maine Volunteer Militia, for the purpose of re-uniforming same, and repairing the old uniforms.

Approved March 5, 1880.

### Chapter 178.

Resolve to defray the expenses of House Committee on Bribery, appointed by order of House, on January twenty, eighteen hundred and eighty.

Bribery committee, expenses of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of six hundred dollars be, and is hereby appropriated, for the purpose of paying the expenses attendant upon the investigation of charges of bribery, and attempted bribery of members of this house, under the order of January twenty, eighteen hundred and eighty; the same to be paid upon vouchers approved by the committee, and upon warrant of the governor.

Approved March 5, 1880.

### Chapter 179.

Resolves relating to Pilot Laws, and the removal of the obstruction to Navigation over East River, New York.

Pilot laws and navigation in East river, New York, relating to.

WHEREAS, The State of Maine, by its geographical position, having a long line of sea coast with many fine harbors, is a state of great commercial importance; our people are largely

engaged in navigation, and are therefore interested in any legislation that affects this industry; and whereas, the pilot laws of several of the states are unjust, and impose upon ship owners, burdens hard to be borne, and are contrary to the spirit of the constitution; and whereas, there is now being erected a bridge across East river, in the State of New York, which will be another tax upon shipping, by compelling them to lower their topmasts, thereby causing delay, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That we hereby earnestly call the attention of our senators and representatives in congress to the unjust pilot laws in force in several of the states, and we request them to use their best efforts to have a general pilot law enacted that shall be just and equitable to the people of all the states, and also, to compel the builders of the suspension bridge across East river, in the state of New York, to place the roadway at such a height as shall not obstruct or impede the navigation of said East river.

*Resolved*, That a copy of the above preamble and resolution, when approved, be forwarded to our delegation in congress by the secretary of state.

Approved March 9, 1880.

Attention of senators and representatives in congress, called to unjust laws.

Copies forwarded to delegation.

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## Chapter 180.

Resolve relating to the Fishway on Kennebec Dam.

*Resolved*, That Zechariah Chaffee, of Providence, Rhode Island, and the A. & W. Sprague Manufacturing Company, a corporation established by law, and having its place of business at Augusta, are hereby relieved from all penalties and forfeitures incurred under the revised statutes, chapter forty, and chapter seventy-five of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, by reason of not constructing a fishway through the dam on the Kennebec river, at Augusta, within the time prescribed by the commissioners of fisheries; *provided*, a suitable fishway shall be constructed on said dam, to the reasonable satisfaction of the commissioners of fisheries, on or before the fifteenth day of next May, or within such

Proprietors of Kennebec dam, relieved from liabilities, if they construct suitable fishway.