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**To the Private and Special Laws
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of the
STATE OF MAINE
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PREFACE

In 1944, for the first time, an index to the private and special laws of the State of Maine from 1820 to 1944 was prepared and published. The value of the index has proved such that the 98th Legislature, by Chapter 143 of the Resolves of 1957, to bring it up to date, authorized and instructed the Attorney General to compile an index to the private and special laws enacted by the Legislature of the State of Maine from 1945 to 1957, inclusive.

The original publication of 1944 was the work of Miss Helen Cochrane, then a secretary in the office of the Attorney General. Since that time she has kept that index current in this office. To Miss Cochrane, now a law clerk in the same office, and to her industry and ability, is due the entire credit for the preparation of this publication.

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