

## **Transcribed Excerpts from U.S. Rep. John Lacey's Bill about the Department of Agriculture, 1900**

... the duties and powers of the Department of Agriculture are hereby enlarged so as to include the preservation, distribution, introduction, and restoration of game birds and other wild birds ...

... purpose of this Act is to aid in the restoration in such birds in those parts of the United States adapted thereto where the same have become scarce, or extinct and also to regulate the introduction of American or foreign birds or animals in localities where they have not heretofore existed.