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S. P. 316

In Senate, January 31, 1961

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Parker of Piscataquis.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-ONE

RESOLVE, Providing for a Vocational Technical Institute in Eastern Maine.

Vocational technical institute; appropriation for. Resolved: That the Department of Education is authorized and directed to establish, maintain and operate a State Vocational Technical Institute in such location in Penobscot or Piscataquis County as it deems best, to promote specialized training for those who give evidence of special aptitudes or need and who desire specialized training designed specifically to train for service in trade, industry or commerce; and be it further

Resolved: That such vocational technical institute be officially named and referred to as the "Penquis Vocational Technical Institute;" and be it further

Resolved: That the Department of Education is authorized and empowered to receive such gifts and donations, either from public or private sources as may be offered unconditionally; and be it further

Resolved: That there is appropriated from the General Fund the sum of \$300,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1962 and \$110,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1963 to carry out the purposes of this resolve; and be it further

Resolved: That the county in which said vocational technical institute is located shall contribute to the cost of constructing and equipping such institute an amount equal to 15% of the sums herein appropriated by the State for said fiscal years; and be it further

Resolved: That the county in which the institute is not located shall contribute for the same purposes an amount equal to 10% of the sums appropriated by the State for said fiscal years.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The vocational technical institute now being operated in South Portland is serving the purpose for which it was created in an excellent manner. There is a great need in the eastern part of the State for a similar institute to provide assistance to those who need training for service in trade, industry and commerce. The expansion of state industry and resulting demand for trained personnel makes the establishment of such institutes a factor in the economic development of the State which should have the highest possible priority.