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H. P. 318

House of Representatives, January 22, 1963

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Maddox of Vinalhaven.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-THREE

**AN ACT to Provide Funds for Evaluating Existing Commercial Waterfront
Facilities and Feasibility of Additional Facilities at Maine Ports.**

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Evaluation of existing commercial waterfront facilities and study of economic and engineering feasibility of additional commercial waterfront facilities at Kittery, Portland, Rockland, Clam Cove-Rockport, Searsport, Bangor-Brewer and Eastport. There is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund the sum of \$95,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1963 to the Maine Port Authority to comprehensively evaluate existing and potential commercial waterfront facilities and to evaluate existing and potential commercial waterborne traffic with a view to making recommendations, based on the data collected, to appropriate jurisdictions, state, municipal and federal, as to the adequacy of existing facilities and programs and suggested changes in or additions to such facilities and programs to meet the present and future needs of waterborne commerce through Maine Ports. This appropriation shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account until June 30, 1965.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

It is proposed that the study be made in 2 categories; namely, economic and engineering, at the named ports. The 2 phases of the study will be conducted concurrently with one another.

A competent research consultant will be employed to work with the existing staff of the Maine Port Authority in developing information on the economic

phase of the study. This work will also be coordinated with other state departments and local development groups, making full use of general information which has been collected in previous economic studies.

The economic phase of the feasibility study will direct itself toward determining the feasibility of developing general cargo and bulk cargo facilities at the named locations; determining whether or not industries could be located at or reasonably adjacent to port areas which need and could use such port facilities; direct contacts with representatives of private industries in order to determine to the extent possible those industries which will locate at port sites or near port sites; the extent to which existing facilities should be upgraded or increased to meet the needs of existing Maine industry and future needs of Maine industry with the expected increase in foreign trade; the competitive position of Maine ports with other ports in the so-called North Atlantic Tier.

The engineering study will include the submission of proposed sketches and estimated costs of constructing facilities which are recommended or proposed from the economic feasibility study. The engineering work will be done by competent engineering consultants; the required consultant work to be done on a contractual basis by independent firms equipped and recognized as competent in their respective fields, and to be selected by the Directors of the Maine Port Authority, with the approval of the Governor and Council.