

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 (EMERGENCY)  
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3 FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
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5 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE  
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7 Legislative Document

No. 344

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9 H.P. 369

House of Representatives, February 3, 1983

10 Reported by Representative Carter from the Committee on  
11 Appropriations and Financial Affairs and printed under Joint Rule 2.

12 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

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14 STATE OF MAINE  
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16 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
17 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE  
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19 AN ACT to Authorize a New Federally-  
20 funded Telephone System at Camp Keyes.  
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22 Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legis-  
23 lature do not become effective until 90 days after  
24 adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

25 Whereas, the United States Department of Defense  
26 has mandated the integration of state National Guard  
27 telephone systems into the national military AUTOVON  
28 telephone system; and

29 Whereas, the Military Bureau must enter into an  
30 agreement for a \$187,000 telephone renovation with  
31 the United States Department of Defense; and

32 Whereas, the Revised Statutes, Title 5, section  
33 1587 prohibits such an agreement until it is reviewed  
34 by the complete legislative budgetary process; and

1       Whereas, the delay of this process is unnecessary  
2 in this instance; and

3       Whereas, it is national military defense policy  
4 that the system be installed prior to March 15, 1983;  
5 and

6       Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature,  
7 these facts create an emergency within the meaning of  
8 the Constitution of Maine and require the following  
9 legislation as immediately necessary for the preser-  
10 vation of the public peace, health and safety; now,  
11 therefore,

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

14       Authorization for Department of Defense and Vet-  
15 erans' Services to enter agreement for telephone  
16 renovations. In accordance with the Revised Stat-  
17 utes, Title 5, section 1587, the Department of  
18 Defense and Veterans' Services may enter into an  
19 agreement for a \$187,000 telephone renovation with  
20 the United States Department of Defense. Any cost of  
21 that agreement shall be paid solely from funds of the  
22 Federal Government.

23       Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited  
24 in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when  
25 approved.

26                               STATEMENT OF FACT

27       The Military Bureau must undergo a \$187,000  
28 renovation of its telephone system to comply with  
29 federal military requirements. The entire cost of  
30 this system is to be borne by the Federal Government.  
31 This project is not unlike many others performed by  
32 the department as part of the federal-state military  
33 relationship. In each instance, the state acquires  
34 improvements and assets at no cost. While the Legis-  
35 lature should be notified and kept informed, no  
36 public purpose is served by requiring budgetary  
37 approval and it can severely delay important  
38 projects.

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