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FIR	ST REGULAR SESSION
ONE HUNDRED	AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
Legislative Document	No. 1143
S.P. 369	In Senate, March 9, 1983
Referred to the Commit down for concurrence and o	tee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent
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Whereas, certain industries of the State are severely suffering from the lack of fair and reasonable trade policies on foreign goods; and

Whereas, this crisis is compounded by a difference in currency values and government subsidies which have resulted in a flood of Canadian imports;

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Whereas, the encroachment on producer markets of eastern United States is devastating the farming, lumber and fishing industries of this State; and

1 Whereas, the Maine economy is suffering 2 depletion of these vital industries and the loss 3 countless jobs related thereto; and 4 Whereas, the citizens of Maine whose livelihood 5 depends on a prompt and equitable solution to this 6 problem must look to the Federal Government for 7 appropriate relief; and Whereas, the following legislation is vitally 8 9 necessary to aid in defraying the expenses incurred 10 in petitioning for relief; and Whereas, in the 11 judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of 12 13 the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the 14 15 vation of the public peace, health and safety; now, 16 therefore. 17 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine follows: 18 19 Sec. 1. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out 20 21 purposes of this Act. 22 1983-84 23 MAINE POTATO COUNCIL 24 All Other \$100,000 25 These funds shall be used 26 to assist the council in 27 its petition efforts to prevent damage from foreign 28 29 imports. Any unexpended balance shall not lapse 30 31 but shall remain a 32 continuing account until 33 the purposes of this Act 34 have been accomplished.

mitted to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropria-

expenditures made pursuant to the Act shall be

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Sec. 2.

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1 2 3	tions and Financial Affairs. Any funds not expended for the purposes of this Act shall be returned to the Treasurer of State.
4 5 6	Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.
7	STATEMENT OF FACT
8 9	The statement of fact is reflected in the emergency preamble.
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