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ONE-HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 401

S. P. 155

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

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Porteous of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE

AN ACT Providing for Construction of a Classroom, Laboratory and Office Building at the University of Maine in Portland.

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

- Sec. 1. Classroom, laboratory and office building, construction of. The University of Maine is authorized to construct, furnish and equip a classroom, laboratory and office building, including the first stage in building a central heating plant and distribution system, at its Portland campus.
- **Sec. 2. Appropriation.** There is appropriated to the University of Maine the sum of \$1,474,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1963 from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund to carry out this act. Such appropriation shall not lapse, but shall remain a continuing carrying account until the purpose of this act have been accomplished.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

This project is planned to provide classrooms, laboratories and office space for second year courses, currently not given on the Portland campus for lack of facilities, in biology, physics, agricultural engineering, chemical engineering, premedical, predental and preveterinary curricula. In addition, service and research laboratories are included for rendering more effective services to agriculture and industry in this section of the State.

It is planned to heat this building from a central heating plant and step 1 of a campus heating system is included as a part of this project. This system follows recommendations of Fels Company, Inc., consulting engineers, for the orderly development of the Portland campus.

This building will permit increased enrollment for both the freshman and sophomore years.

Providing opportunity for students living in southwestern Maine to remain on this campus for 2 years, regardless of courses taken, will be of economic assistance to individual families and will assist in lessening enrollment pressures in the freshman and sophomore years at Orono.