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ONE-HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE

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S. P. 273

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

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary Presented by Senator Sampson of Somerset.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE

RESOLVE, Appropriating Money for Production and Supervision on In-School Educational Television Programs.

Department of Education; appropriation. Resolved: That there is appropriated the sum of \$37,000 from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund to the Department of Education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1962, and \$42,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1963 to provide funds to produce or contract for educational television programs and to employ a supervisor, secretarial help and necessary travel expenses to work with representatives of television stations both within and without the State in producing programs, arranging with stations within the State for telecasting, and to assist the teachers of the State in the use of these programs.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Bates College plans to have an educational television station in operation by September 1, 1961 and plans have been prepared for an educational television station at the University of Maine in 1962. Time for telecasting in-school programs will be available on these stations and on commercial stations. To take advantage of this medium of communication we must have programs suitable for in-school telecasting. If these programs are to enrich and expand the curriculum in Maine, it is essential that we have on the staff a qualified supervisor who will supervise the production of these programs or arrange suitable contracts for programs and who will assist the teachers of the State in their proper use.