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ONE-HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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S. P. 317 In Senate, January 31, 1961 Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Christie of Aroostook.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE

RESOLVE, Appropriating Moneys for Vocational and Technical Institute in Northern Maine.

Vocational and Technical Institute; appropriation for. Resolved: That the Department of Education is authorized and directed to establish an area vocational and technical educational institution in Northern Maine in a location to be determined by survey and based on need established by a competent industry, commerce and employee survey now in progress, such institute to be operated daytime or evening and maintained by an area board of trustees to serve all communities of Aroostook County and those communities properly situated in northern Washington, Penobscot and Piscataquis Counties so as to provide specialized training for out-of-school youth and adults at the secondary and high school levels and for post high school youth and adults who give evidence of special aptitude or need and who desire specialized training designed specifically to train, or as supplemental or refresher training for employment in service of trade, industry or commerce; to this end be it further

Resolved: That such area facility sha'l not compete with nor discourage formal education in our public secondary school program and at the post high school level; and be it further

Resolved: That the Department of Education, in order to implement this resolve at the earliest practicable date with full regard for its minimum initial cost, may use building facilities available in the area; and be it further

Resolved: That the Department of Education is authorized and empowered to receive such gifts and donations, either from public or private sources as may be offered unconditionally; and be it further

Resolved: That there is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund the sum of \$250,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1962 to carry out the purposes of this resolve. The appropriation shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account until the purposes of this resolve have been accomplished.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

There is a great need for vocational and technical education in Northern Maine, and the purpose of this resolve is to provide assistance to those in the area who need and desire training, or refresher training for service in trade, industry and commerce.