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## FIRST SPECIAL SESSION (EMERGENCY)

#### ONE-HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE

### Legislative Document

No. 1689

H. l<sup>2</sup>. 1229 House of Representatives, November 27, 1961 Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs suggested. HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk Presented by Mr. Hardy of Hope.

### STATE OF MAINE

### IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE

#### AN ACT Appropriating Funds to Aid Towns to Control Dutch Elm Disease.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the Dutch elm disease problem has increased in alarming proportions; and

Whereas, the disease has been discovered in many additional municipalities and unless proper control measures are taken, further serious losses will occur; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine, and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, now, therefore,

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

State Forestry Department; appropriation. There is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund to the State Forestry Department the sum of \$33,473 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1962 and the sum of \$35,830 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1963 to provide for technical assistance to municipal officials in carrying out sanitation programs and a state-town cost sharing of incurred expenses in the control of Dutch elm disease. Any balances at June 30, 1962 shall not lapse but shall be carried forward into the following year to be expended for the same purposes. The breakdown which shall be as follows:

FORESTRY, DEPARTMENT OF	1961-62	1962-63
Personal Services (1)	\$ 2,223	\$ 4,680
A. Travel expenses of Entomologist B. Grants to cities and towns	1,250 30,000	1,150 30,000
Total	\$33,473	\$35,830

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect on January 1, 1962.