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S. P. 52 In Senate, January 10, 1963
Referred to Committee on Education. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary Presented by Senator Hinds of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-THREE

AN ACT Creating a Board of Trustees for the Maine Vocational Technical Institute.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 41, §§ 195-R - 195-U, additional. Chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding 4 new sections, to be numbered 195-R to 195-U, to read as follows:

'Maine Vocational Technical Institute.

Sec. 195-R. Board of trustees. The affairs of the Maine Vocational Technical Institute shall be controlled by a board of 7 trustees, all residents of the State of Maine, who, together with their successors, shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council. One member shall be appointed by the Governor as chairman. In the first instance, 2 trustees shall be appointed for terms of one year, 2 for terms of 2 years and 3 for terms of 3 years. Thereafter, the trustees shall be appointed annually to serve for terms of 3 years or until their successors are duly appointed and qualified. Any vacancy in the board shall be filled by appointment by the Governor for the remainder of the unexpired term, but the majority of the board shall carry on business during the existence of any vacancy on the board.

The members of the board shall receive no compensation, but shall be reimbursed for actual expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties.

The board shall meet at least once a month and at the call of the chairman.

Sec. 195-S. Powers. The board of trustees shall maintain and operate the Maine Vocational Technical Institute to promote specialized training and technical education for any persons who give evidence of special aptitude or need

and who desire specialized training designed specifically to train for service in trade, industry or commerce.

Sec. 195-T. State scholarships Maine Vocational Technical Institute. The board of trustees shall develop and administer a plan for awarding scholarships to selected students enrolled at the Maine Vocational Technical Institute, whose records provide evidence of the possession of such qualifications as are necessary to successfully complete the course and become competent craftsmen in a trade or industrial pursuit, and who have demonstrated ability and willingness to support the expenses of their training, but who may be in need of partial financial assistance to pay the costs of attendance at the institute. No scholarship shall exceed \$300 in any one year. Awards shall be based on evidence of individual need and worth.

Sec. 195-U. Powers and duties. The board of trustees shall have power to accept and expend all funds received by it on appropriation from the General Fund of the State or from such gifts and donations either from public or private sources as may be offered unconditionally, together with fees as provided. The said board shall have authority to offer such courses of study, give such diploma or certificate on completion of a course of study, charge such tuition and other reasonable fees and set up such qualifications for admission as it deems necessary in the Maine Vocational Technical Institute.'

- Sec. 2. R. S., c. 41, § 203, amended. Section 203 of chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:
- 'Sec. 203. Technical and vocational schools. In addition to its duties connected with vocational education and vocational rehabilitation, the state board of education shall have authority to establish, maintain and operate state technical and vocational institutes, except the Maine Vocational Technical Institute, to promote specialized training for returned veterans of World War II and other and technical education for any persons who give evidence of special aptitude or need and who desire specialized training designed specifically to train for service in trade, industry or commerce.'
- Sec. 3. R. S., c. 41, § 204-A, repealed. Section 204-A of chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 12 of chapter 366 of the public laws of 1961, is repealed.
- **Sec. 4. Appropriation.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of Trustees of the Maine Vocational Technical Institute the sum of \$4,500 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1964 and the sum of \$6,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1965. All moneys appropriated by the 101st Legislature to the Department of Education for the Maine Vocational Technical Institute are hereby transferred to the Board of Trustees of the Maine Vocational Technical Institute.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The moneys appropriated by this Act are for the expenses of the Board of Trustees.