

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 511

S. P. 201

In Senate, January 23, 1963

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

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Noyes of Franklin.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-THREE

AN ACT Providing Funds to Establish a County-Wide Industrial Development Program.

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

Appropriation for establishing a county-wide industrial development program. There is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund the sum of \$100,000 to match funds provided by county-wide development organizations, authorized commissions, county commissions or other properly organized county bodies for the purpose of furthering individual county development programs. The funds shall be expended through the Department of Economic Development on the approval of the advisory board of said department to match county promotional funds on the formula of 25% state funds, 25% county or municipal funds and 50% funds from other sources, these being percentages of the total cost of the particular county program each year, but not to exceed the expenditure of \$20,000 of state funds in any one year for any single county. Any unexpended balance shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

It appears at this time that industry seems much more interested in an area approach to industrial site location than an individual town and city approach.

Recent past experiences seem to indicate that a trend from individual community basis to area concepts is evolving as a more effective approach for in-state industrial development of communities, thereby minimizing costly duplication of effort and expense among communities within an area. To implement this approach, other states are setting up matching funds to help communities and areas finance their industrial development programs.