

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST LEGISLATURE

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No. 566

H. P. 413

House of Representatives, January 24, 1963

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Hardy of Hope.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-THREE

**RESOLVE, Appropriating Money for Full-Time Urban Renewal Director,
Department of Economic Development.**

Appropriation for employment of Urban Renewal Director and clerical assistant. Resolved: That there is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund the sum of \$12,720 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1964 and the sum of \$12,300 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1965 to be expended by the Department of Economic Development for employment of a full-time Urban Renewal Director and clerical assistant subject to the Personnel Law.

The appropriation breakdown shall be as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

	1963-64	1964-65
Personal Services	(2) \$11,518	(2) \$12,300
Capital Expenditures	1,202	—
	<hr/> \$12,720	<hr/> \$12,300

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The Legislature of the State of Maine has directed the Research and Planning Division of the Department of Economic Development to: “. initiate, encourage and assist local planning boards and other municipal agencies and officials in regional planning and urban renewal.”

There are now in existence 15 local urban renewal authorities in Maine all

seeking advice and assistance in programs for the physical and economic development of their communities and action is pending in at least 5 additional communities in 1963.

Urban renewal can make and is making a major contribution to industrial and central business area development as well as in the improvement of housing conditions for large segments of the population.

The Division of Research and Planning and has been providing a continuing service to communities for more than 3 years under a contractual arrangement with an experienced urban renewal consultant.

The continuation of this program of service is essential to the welfare of the State and to its economic development.