# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST LEGISLATURE

### Legislative Document

No. 727

S. P. 234 In Senate, January 29, 1963
Taken from table on motion by President and on further motion by Senator
Lovell of York withdrawn. On further motion by same Senator 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

RESOLVE, Providing for a Complete Inventory of Recreational Facilities in the State.

Inventory of Maine's recreation facilities; appropriation for. Resolved: That the Department of Economic Development shall conduct a survey of all recreation facilities and property in the State to determine the location, size, capacity, assessed valuation, and other pertinent information and shall publish the results of such survey; and be it further

**Resolved:** That the sum of \$15,000 be appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund, to be expended during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1965.

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS

Recreation is generally recognized as one of Maine's major industries, providing an important source of tax revenue in many communities, as well as for the State as a whole. The need for accurate statistical information on recreation facilities is paramount if the growth of this industry is to be encouraged in an orderly and prosperous direction. An inventory, based on the assessed valuation of all recreation properties, was undertaken by the Department of Economic Development in 1959. This provided an initial basis for measuring the importance of recreation facilities to the State. Additional information is now needed to determine trends in the industry, and to provide the necessary data for sound future recreation development and to forecast areas of growth in the recreation industry.