

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Document

No. 781

S. P. 267

In Senate, January 29, 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.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-THREE

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**AN ACT Providing for the Creation of Four Additional Positions in the  
Department of Economic Development.**

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

**Additional positions in Department of Economic Development authorized; appropriation.** There is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund the sum of \$21,882 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1964 and the sum of \$22,020 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1965 to be expended by the Department of Economic Development for the establishment of 4 additional positions in its Division of Research and Planning; the breakdown of which shall be as follows:

	1963-64	1964-65
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		
Division of Research and Planning		
Personal Services	(4) \$20,282	(4) \$22,020
All Other	—	—
Capital Expenditures	1,600	—
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	\$21,882	\$22,020

STATEMENT OF FACTS

This is the first authorization for an increase in personnel of this Division since establishment by the 1955 Legislature.

It will permit more intensive work on the State planning program as directed in the DED organization Act (R. S. 1954, Chap. 38-A); provide better supervision of joint federal-state-local planning programs; and allow the Division of Research and Planning to provide more attention to municipal and regional planning agencies in the continuing process of applying good civic planning to local affairs.

The position of the State will be greatly strengthened when requesting federal assistance in planning programs.

The State and municipalities will be in position readily to fulfill the requirement of the 1962 Highway Appropriation Bill as enacted by Congress which makes mandatory, after January 1, 1965, that all urban federal aid projects in compact areas of over 50,000 people be part of a comprehensive planning program. This expression of administration policy is expected to be applied to many more federal aid programs and may be of direct concern within two years in the use of thousands of dollars for Maine construction programs.