

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Lovell of York.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-THREE

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**RESOLVE, Appropriating Money for Automobiles for Department of Economic  
Development.**

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**Appropriation for automobiles for Department of Economic Development.**  
**Resolved:** That there is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund the sum of \$18,000 to be expended by the Department of Economic Development for the purchase of 6 automobiles for use of the department. Any unexpended balance shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account until June 30, 1965.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

It is proposed that \$18,000 be appropriated to the Department of Economic Development for the purchase of 6 automobiles to be used by the 6 most-travelled personnel within the Maine Department of Economic Development. Total cost: \$18,000.

The Department of Economic Development has been in existence now for 7 years. Its personnel probably travel more total miles than personnel of any other state department. Because of the advantages to the State, costwise, of having them drive state automobiles, the above appropriation is sought.

Accounts and Control has indicated that DED should be able to save on the average of 2c per mile in the operation of a state-owned automobile as compared with employee-owned vehicles. It is estimated that the department will

be able to cut travel expenses by approximately \$3,000 annually through the use of 6 state-owned cars.

It is the intention of DED to have these 6 automobiles used by the members of the department travelling the most miles. The minimum of mileage would be 15,000 miles per year, and probably average 18,000 miles each at an operating cost of  $4\frac{1}{4}$ c per mile.