

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, February 14, 1963

Received by unanimous consent. Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mrs. Shaw of Chelsea.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-THREE

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**RESOLVE, Providing Funds for Additional Weights and Measures Inspectors.**

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**Additional weights and measures inspectors; appropriation. Resolved:** That there is appropriated from the General Fund to the Division of Inspection, Department of Agriculture, the sum of \$30,610 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1964 and the sum of \$32,058 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1965 for 5 additional weights and measures inspectors. The breakdown will be as follows:

|                            | 1963-64        | 1964-65        |
|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF |                |                |
| Division of Inspection     |                |                |
| Salaries                   | (5) \$20,610   | (5) \$22,058   |
| Travel                     | 10,000         | 10,000         |
|                            | <hr/> \$30,610 | <hr/> \$32,058 |

STATEMENT OF FACTS

There is continually less work being done, if any, by local sealers because of the inability of the city and town officials to find competent personnel to do the work on a fee basis, which seems to be the universal basis of payment in Maine with the exception of a few of the larger cities. Much of this work will be carried on in supermarkets and general stores in check-weighing packaged

goods. None of this work, with few exceptions, has been done by local sealers, a phase of the work long neglected.

They have sufficient equipment with the exception of one pickup truck. They do not have the personnel to man the equipment and use it to the best advantage or do the amount of work that should be done or has been requested, with the present personnel. Many tanks and meters are not being tested or sealed as often as necessary.