

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ONE HUNDRED AND SECOND LEGISLATURE

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

JEROME G. PLANTE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Scott of Wilton.

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## STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-FIVE

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### **RESOLVE, Providing for a Study of Public School Laws.**

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**Study of Public School Laws. Resolved:** That a committee composed of 2 Senators, appointed by the President of the Senate and 3 Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the House, be authorized and directed to make a professional study in depth of the "State of Maine Laws Relating to Public Schools" as they pertain to general purpose aid.

The study in depth should examine among others, the following factors: The provisions in the present law concerning such matters as foundation program content and allowances, bonuses for School Administrative Districts and other criteria related to the formation of such districts. Generally, the study shall examine the educational subsidy provisions; and be it further

**Resolved:** That there is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund the sum of \$25,000 for the purposes of this study, which shall not lapse but shall carry to June 30, 1967.

### STATEMENT OF FACTS

The interim committee created by the 101st Legislature to study the present operation and administration of general purpose aid subsidies in its report has recommended that the present Sinclair Law which has not been reviewed since it went into effect in 1957 should be brought up to date. However, because of the complexity of the situation this cannot be done adequately by an interim committee, and a study in depth should be made by experts in the field of public school education.