

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD LEGISLATURE

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BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston.

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## STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-SEVEN

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### **AN ACT Authorizing Department of Health and Welfare to Make Grants to Municipalities.**

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., T. 22, § 10, additional.** Title 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 10, as follows:

#### **§ 10. Municipal grants**

The department is authorized to make grants to cities or towns within the State, or to nonprofit corporations organized for purposes related to public health or welfare, out of federal funds when such grants are permitted by the terms under which the federal funds are available. Such grants shall be made in conformity with applicable federal requirements and standards and with appropriate state accounting requirements, and in accordance with regulations of the department.

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS

There are increasing opportunities by which Federal funds may be "passed on" to communities or organizations as far as Federal requirements and laws are concerned. However, in many such instances such "passing on" must be through the State Department of Health and Welfare. The department has no authority to act in this way, and, therefore, is prevented in these instances from being as helpful as might otherwise be the case.