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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 862

S. P. 327

In Senate, February 15, 1967

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

JERROLD B. SPEERS, Secretary

Presented by Senator Hildreth of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Providing Funds to Assist the Casco Bay Island Development Association to Create an International Vacation and Conference Center on Peaks Island.

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

Funds. There is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund the sum of \$5,000 to the Casco Bay Island Development Association to assist in administrative expenses necessary in contacting business concerns, charitable foundations and agencies of the Federal Government to raise funds for the establishment of an International Vacation and Conference Center on Peaks Island in the City of Portland.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The Casco Bay Island Development Association is a nonprofit organization of volunteers who have raised \$50,000 and purchased a 167-acre tract of land on the ocean side of Peaks Island in Casco Bay. The City of Portland and the Federal Government are contributing services and funds to develop a public park on part of this land. Another part has been reserved for the purpose of constructing an International Vacation and Conference Center. For several years, a program has been conducted on certain of the Casco Bay Islands to provide several days of entertainment and relaxation for foreign and United Nations correspondents. **The success of this program** has encouraged the much larger project of constructing the International Center so that correspondence, diplomats, and other members of foreign delegations to the United States may relax and conduct group conferences in this summer vacation resort. It is planned that the center will cost \$5,000,000 but financial help is needed to get the program started.