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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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H. P. 688 House of Representatives, February 21, 1967 Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and 1,500 copies ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Clark of Wells.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVEN

RESOLVE, Appropriating Funds to Waban Project, Inc. for Retarded Children to Purchase Land for Summer Camp for Handicapped Children.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts and resolves do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, Waban Project, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, is devoted to aiding mentally retarded and physically handicapped children; and

Whereas, in order that a summer camp may be operated in 1967 for the benefit of such children, the following legislation is vitally necessary; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore, be it

Waban Project, Inc.; funds for. Resolved: That the sum of \$22,500 is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund to Waban Project. Inc. of York County to purchase land with buildings thereon at Huckleberry Point on Bauneyberg Lake to establish and operate summer camps for recreational and educational benefits for mentally retarded and physically handicapped children and encourage research in the field of mental retardation.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this resolve shall take effect when approved.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Waban Project, Inc. is a nonprofit corporation which aids handicapped children.

The purchase of the land and buildings will provide 4 acres of land and 5 buildings with 600 feet of water front and 2 beaches. The buildings have electricity, gas and oil heating. It will accommodate 100 children.

The summer camp will enable Waban Project, Inc.

- 1. To establish and operate summer camps, day or boarding, and other facilities for recreational and educational benefits of mentally retarded and physically handicapped children to encourage research in the field of retardation.
- 2. To advise and aid parents with the solutions of their problems of retarded children.
- 3. To develop better public understanding of mental retardation to cooperate with public and private professional agencies in the furtherance of the above programs.
 - 4. To solicit and receive funds for the camp and the above purposes.