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BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mrs. Carswell of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT

AN ACT to Provide Funds for Blind Children's Education, Inc.

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

Whereas the Division of Eye Care and Special Services and the American Foundation for the Blind, among others, have stressed the need for the expansion of this program and facilities; and

Whereas, plans include training and instruction of the mentally retarded blind; and

Whereas, the program is continually expanding and lack of space and overcrowding necessitates the combining of classroom and office space which hampers the program of teaching; 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 enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Blind Children's Education, Inc.; appropriation for. There is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund the sum of \$200,000 to the Blind Children's Education, Inc. for construction of facilities for the training and instruction of blind children.

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