

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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House of Representatives, January 28, 1969

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BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Martin of Eagle Lake.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-NINE

AN ACT to Authorize Bond Issue in the Amount of \$9,370,000 for the Construction and Improvement of Facilities for the Treatment and Care of the Mentally Ill, Mentally Retarded, and the Youthful and Adult Offender at our Mental Health and Corrections Institutions.

Preamble. Two-thirds of both Houses of Legislature deeming it necessary in accordance with Section 14 of Article IX of the Constitution to authorize the issuance of bonds on behalf of the State of Maine to provide for capital improvements, construction, renovations, equipment and furnishings for the Department of Mental Health and Corrections.

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

Sec. 1. Issue of bonds to provide for capital improvements, construction, renovations, equipment and furnishings for the Department of Mental Health and Corrections. The Treasurer of State is authorized, under the direction of the Governor and Council, to issue from time to time serial coupon bonds in the name and behalf of the State to an amount not exceeding \$9,370,000 for the purpose of raising funds to provide for such capital improvements, construction, renovations, equipment and furnishings as authorized by section 6. Said bonds shall be deemed a pledge of the faith and credit of the State. Said bonds shall not run for a longer period than 20 years from the date of the original issue thereof. Any issuance of bonds may contain a call feature at the discretion of the Treasurer of State with the approval of the Governor and Council.

Sec. 2. Records of bonds issued to be kept by State Auditor and Treasurer. The State Auditor shall keep an account of such bonds, showing the number and amount of each, the date when payable and the date of delivery thereof

to the Treasurer of State, who shall keep an account of each bond, showing the number thereof, the name of the person to whom sold, the amount received for the same, the date of sale and the date when payable.

Sec. 3. Sale, how negotiated; proceeds appropriated. The Treasurer of State may negotiate the sale of such bonds by direction of the Governor and Council; but no such bond shall be loaned, pledged or hypothecated in behalf of the State. The proceeds of the sales of such bonds, which shall be held by The Treasurer of State and paid by him upon warrants drawn by the Governor and Council, are appropriated to be used solely for the purposes set forth in this Act. Any unencumbered balances remaining at the completion of the projects listed in section 6 shall lapse to the debt service account established for the retirement of these bonds.

Sec. 4. Interest and debt retirement. Interest due or accruing upon any bonds issued under the provisions of this Act and all sums coming due for payment of bonds at maturity shall be paid by the Treasurer of State from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Sec. 5. Disbursement of bond proceeds. The proceeds of such bonds shall be expended under the direction and supervision of the Director of Public Improvements.

Sec. 6. Allocations from General Fund Bond Issue.

	1969-70
MENTAL HEALTH AND CORRECTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF	
Augusta State Hospital	
Continuation of Hospital Buildings Renovations	300,000
Road Repairs	25,000
Admission and Intensive Treatment Building	1,478,000
Development of Permanent General Infirmary	824,400
Operating Room and Laboratory Alterations	102,000
Fire Prevention and Safety Project	63,000
Medical Library	39,500
Completion of Maximum Security Building	72,800
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Sub-Total	2,904,700
Bangor State Hospital	
Fire Prevention and Safety Project	67,000
Recreation Center	160,000
Construction of Maintenance Building	246,000
Admission and Acute (Psychiatric) Treatment Ward	140,000
Continuation of Ward Building Renovation	170,000
Heating Renovations	162,000
Replacement of Boiler Room Floor	20,000
Superintendent's Residence	34,000
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Sub-Total	999,000

	1969-70
Pineland Hospital and Training Center	
Fire Prevention and Safety Project	30,000
Perry Hayden Infirmary Patios	2,900
Continuation of Water Distribution System	37,400
Maintenance Building	246,000
Employee Housing	150,400
Renovation of Kupelian Hall	250,000
Continuation of Underground Electrical System	12,300
Renovation to Pownal Hall	75,300
Alterations to Commons Buildings	197,800
Playground and Athletic Area	33,400
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Sub-Total	1,035,500
Boys Training Center	
Fire Prevention and Safety Project	44,000
Medical-Psychiatric Unit	473,000
Addition to Gould Academic Building	157,000
Boys Living Cottage	346,000
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Sub-Total	1,020,000
Stevens School	
Fire Prevention and Safety Project	37,000
New Dormitory	287,700
Renovations to Central School Building	79,300
Improvement of Road	10,000
All-Purpose Building	935,000
Conversion of Maintenance Building	10,000
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Sub-Total	1,359,000
Men's Correctional Center	
Fire Prevention and Safety Project	29,000
Renovation Locking System	40,000
Warehouse, Automotive Storage and Garage	132,000
Fence and Wall-Towers	50,000
Replace Heating Radiation	10,700
Inmate Dining Room and Kitchen	460,000
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Sub-Total	721,700
Women's Correctional Center	
Fire Prevention and Safety Project	11,000
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Sub-Total	11,000
Maine State Prison	
Deputy Warden's Building	63,800
All-Purpose Building	219,100
Ventilation of Receiving Area	16,200

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Maine State Prison—Continued

Ventilation of Cell Blocks	219,000
Rewire Institution-Phase III	94,000
Maintenance Shop	86,000
Convert Boiler Room to Recreation Facility	25,000
New Locks in East Wing	70,000
Security Windows-Variou Buildings	100,000
Civil Defense Preparation	33,000
Property Survey	6,000

Sub-Total	932,100
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Governor Baxter State School for the Deaf

Fire Prevention and Safety Project	10,000
Preprimary Unit and Diagnostic Center	254,000
Athletic Field	27,000
Library Wing	24,000
Vocational Shop Rooms	10,000
Replace Heating and Distribution System	60,000

Sub-Total	385,000
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Military and Naval Children's Home

Fire Prevention and Safety Project	2,000
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TOTAL MENTAL HEALTH AND CORRECTIONS	9,370,000
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The amounts listed after each unit are to be construed as guides and any one or more amounts may be exceeded with the approval of the Governor and Council as long as the total expenditures of state money do not exceed the total amount of the bond issue allocated for all projects and when the work on each project is performed as nearly as possible to that contemplated.

Sec. 7. Contingent upon ratification of bond issue. Sections 1 to 6 of this Act shall not become effective unless and until the people of the State of Maine shall have ratified the issuance of bonds as set forth in this Act.

Sec. 8. Referendum for ratification. The aldermen of cities, the selectmen of towns and the assessors of the several plantations of this State are empowered and directed to notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet in the manner prescribed by law for calling and holding biennial meetings of said inhabitants for the election of Senators and Representatives, at a special state-wide election to be held on the second Tuesday of October, 1969 to give in their vote upon the acceptance or rejection of the foregoing Act, and the question shall be:

“Shall our mental and correctional institutes be enlarged and improved to better accomodate persons with mental, emotional or social disorders by issuing bonds in the amount of \$9,370,000?”

The inhabitants of said cities, towns and plantations shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed within a square upon their ballots their opinion of the same, those in favor of ratification voting "Yes" and those opposed to ratification voting "No" and the ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings, and return made to the office of the Secretary of State in the same manner as votes for Governor and Members of the Legislature, and the Governor and Council shall review the same and if it shall appear that a majority of the inhabitants voting on the question are in favor of said Act, the Governor shall forthwith make known the fact by his proclamation, and the Act shall thereupon become effective in 30 days after the date of said proclamation.

Secretary of State shall prepare ballots. The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to the several cities, towns and plantations ballots and blank returns in conformity with the foregoing Act, accompanied by a copy thereof.