

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Richardson of Cumberland.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-NINE

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**AN ACT Appropriating Funds to Office of Chief Medical Examiner.**

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

Whereas, the duties of the office of Chief Medical Examiner are an integral and important part of effective law enforcement in the State of Maine; and

Whereas, the office of Chief Medical Examiner does not have sufficient funds to carry out the performance of its duties; and

Whereas, the office of medico-legal investigations has increased beyond the amount budgeted for the payment of same; 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:

**Appropriation.** There is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund the sum of \$15,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1969, to the office of Chief Medical Examiner to carry out the purposes of the Revised Statutes, Title 22, sections 3021 to 3032. The breakdown shall be as follows:

OFFICE OF CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER	1968-69
All Other	\$15,000

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