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ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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S. P. 364

In Senate, March 11, 1969
Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent
down for concurrence and ordered printed.

JERROLD B. SPEERS, Secretary

Presented by Senator Berry of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-NINE

RESOLVE, to Appropriate Funds for the Construction of an International Ferry Terminal at Porcland, Maine.

International Ferry Terminal; funds for. Resolved: That there is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund the sum of \$500,000 for the purposes set forth in this resolve. Such sum shall be made available to the Maine Port Authority to be expended by said authority for the acquistion of land, for plans and for the construction of a terminal and necessary appurtenances at Portland suitable to be the Maine terminal of an international ferry to run between Yarmouth, Nova Scotia and Portland, Maine and operated by the Lion Ferry Company of Halmstad, Sweden, and to pay other proper expenses incidental to said land acquisition, planning and construction.

The intention is to cooperate with the Canadian Government to effect a ferry service of mutual benefit to the people of Maine and the people of Nova Scotia.

It is the further intention of the Legislature, in recognition of the successful efforts of the City of Portland and its business community to secure this international ferry service for the State of Maine in competition with several out-of-state ports, by raising a required pledge guarantee to the Lion Ferry Company of Halmstad in the amount of \$1,000,000, a sum which is also being pledged for this purpose by the Province of Nova Scotia, to assist this community in the provision of an adequate terminal to service said international ferry.

The Maine Port Authority shall be authorized to lease said terminal, or spaces therein, in order to secure income for the operation of said terminal

and that chapter 114 of the private and special laws of 1929, as amended, as it applies to the length of terms of leases authorized by the directors of the Maine Port Authority shall not apply to the length of terms of any lease authorized by this resolve; and be it further

Resolved: That the directors of the Maine Port Authority shall be authorized to set appropriate fees for parking within this terminal area or for the use of certain terminal facilities when same are being used for international traffic, both vehicular and pedestrian. The aforementioned fees shall be used as income toward the Port Authority's expenses in operating said terminal.