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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-ONE

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**RESOLVE, Permitting the County of Piscataquis to Expend Money for  
Public Ambulance Service.**

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

Whereas, the present law permits municipalities to raise money to provide for public ambulance service; and

Whereas, there are many small municipalities in Piscataquis County which are unable to provide funds for such a service, these services now being provided by the county; and

Whereas, the following legislation is vitally necessary to permit the county commissioners of Piscataquis County to raise money to continue such services for the benefit and well-being of the citizens in the several municipalities; 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

**Ambulance service; Piscataquis County. Resolved:** That the county commissioners of Piscataquis County are authorized to expend county funds for the purchase of 3 ambulances and for the operation of a public ambulance service, provided that no more than \$30,000 shall be expended for the purchase

of 3 ambulances and that no more than \$12,000 is used for the operation of the service. Moneys so expended may be raised, appropriated, received as gifts or acquired as fees charged for providing the service. Not later than June 30, 1971, the county commissioners shall discontinue such service and transfer the equipment used to provide the service to any municipalities, hospitals or nonprofit organizations in the county. Any moneys realized by the county either from the operation of the service or from the ultimate conveyance of the equipment and service shall be placed in the county surplus account.

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