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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1033

H. P. 767

House of Representatives, February 23, 1971

Referred to Committee on Health and Institutional Services. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Bustin of Augusta.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT to Authorize a Food Stamp Program in Kennebec County.

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

Whereas, to assist the welfare of many people in Kennebec County, a food stamp program is essential; and

Whereas, in order to comply with federal law such food stamp program must be administered by the Department of Health and Welfare; and

Whereas, the following legislation is vitally necessary if such plan is to be adopted in the winter of 1971; 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:

Kennebec County; food stamp program. The State Department of Health and Welfare is authorized to administer a food stamp program in Kennebec County in conformity with regulations promulgated by the United States Department of Agriculture and the United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare and is further authorized to hire the necessary personnel to administer said program. The Department of Health and Welfare shall be reimbursed for the County of Kennebec for any administrative expenses incurred for carrying out this Act.

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

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is reflected in the emergency preamble.