

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 1996

H. P. 1536

House of Representatives, January 24, 1972

Committee on Appropriations suggested.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Haskell of Houlton.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-TWO

AN ACT Providing Funds for Maine Students in Maine Private Colleges.

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

Sec. 1. Subsidy to Maine students. There is appropriated from the Un-appropriated Surplus of the General Fund the sum of \$400,000 to establish a fund to provide subsidized places in accredited Maine private colleges for Maine students. The allocation of these places to private colleges shall have this priority: The greatest number of places shall be in those institutions which can demonstrate a reduction enrollment against the base year 1969-1970. The determination of the amount of subsidy to the student and the number of subsidized places in the various institutions shall be determined by the Higher Education Council for the State of Maine by August 1, 1972.

Sec. 2. Effective date. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 1972.

STATEMENT OF FACT

University of Maine was unable to accept a great number of Maine applicants while Maine's accredited private colleges had a total of 1,000 unfilled places.

It is necessary that the private colleges in Maine be preserved by providing space and choice for Maine students who desire to attend college in Maine and to provide such service at the lowest possible costs to the taxpayers.