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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1137

S. P. 391

In Senate, March 1, 1973

Referred to the Committee on Transportation. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Huber of Knox.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-THREE

**AN ACT Providing Funds for Continued Operation of Regular Ferry
Service between Rockland and Matinicus Island.**

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

Whereas, the citizens of Matinicus Island need regular year-round service to and from the mainland; and

Whereas, Norris Young has served Matinicus Island residents with regular ferry service for many years; and

Whereas, the income from passengers and freight is no longer sufficient to maintain the service; 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:

Sec. 1. Department of Transportation appropriation; continued operation of ferry service. The Department of Transportation is hereby authorized to enter into contract with Norris Young for his services as owner and operator of the Matinicus Island Ferry for the continued operation of regular ferry service between Rockland and Matinicus Island.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is appropriated to the Department of Transportation from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund the sum of

\$13,000 to carry out the purposes of this Act. Any unexpended balances shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account until July 1, 1975.

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.