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S. P. 952

In Senate, March 22, 1974

Reported by Senator Sewall of Penobscot from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, pursuant to Legislative Council Order dated December 19, 1973, issued under authority of 3 M.R.S.A., section 162 and printed under Joint Rules No. 18.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FOUR

AN ACT Providing Funds for Maine Vacation Travel Services.

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

Whereas, there is agreement among those associated with tourism that the current energy crisis is having a pronounced effect upon the vacation travel industry this year and will for the years ahead; and

Whereas, in order to minimize the severity of energy-related problems to tourism in Maine the following legislation is vitally necessary to prevent undue hardship upon the travel industry; 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:

Appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Commerce and Industry the sum of \$150,000 to carry out the purposes of this Act. The breakdown shall be as follows:

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COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY, DEPARTMENT OF

All Other

\$150,000

It is the intent of the Legislature that these funds be used solely to promote a 4 season economy for Maine's vacation travel industry. Any unexpended balance remaining at June 30, 1974 shall not lapse but shall carry forward to June 30, 1975 to be expended for the same purposes.

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.