

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 496

S. P. 182

In Senate, February 17, 1977

Referred to the Committee on Local and County Government. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary

Presented by Senator Jackson of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT to Authorize the State Librarian to Purchase Town Histories and other Maine Histories for Distribution to Public Libraries and Schools.

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

Sec. 1. 27 MRSA § 69 is enacted to read:

§ 69. Purchase and distribution of Maine histories

1. Purchase. The State Librarian shall purchase at least 50 copies, and may purchase up to 200 copies, of every town history or other book concerning the history of this State that is published in Maine. He shall purchase, within these limits, the number of copies required to meet the distribution requirements of subsection 2.

2. Distribution. The State Librarian shall retain sufficient copies of each history purchased under subsection 1 for the use of the State Library. The remaining copies shall be distributed without charge to all school, state, institutional and public libraries that request a copy. The State Librarian shall regularly publish and circulate to all these libraries a list of the histories available for distribution.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Educational and Cultural Services the sum of \$15,000 for the fiscal years 1977-78 and 1978-79, to be used to purchase histories under this Act. The breakdown shall be as follows:

	1977-78	1978-79
EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		
State Library		
All Other	\$ 5,000	\$10,000

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to authorize the State Librarian to purchase town histories and other Maine histories for distribution to public libraries and schools.