

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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S. P. 238

In Senate, March 8, 1977

Reported by Senator Huber of Cumberland from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, and printed under Joint Rules No. 2.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

**AN ACT Making Additional Appropriations from the General Fund for the
Current Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1977.**

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

Whereas, the 90-day period may not terminate until after the beginning of the next fiscal year; and

Whereas, certain obligations and expenses incident to the operation of State Government will become due and payable before July 1, 1977; 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:

Appropriations from General Fund. There is appropriated from the General Fund for the year ending June 30, 1977, to the Maine Guarantee Authority the sum of \$1,000,000. The breakdown shall be as follows:

1976-77

MAINE GUARANTEE AUTHORITY

All Other

\$1,000,000

Provides funds to enable the authority to meet obligations under its existing mortgage insurance agreements.

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

STATEMENT OF FACT

The reason for this request is that Kennebec River Pulp and Paper Company, Inc. is experiencing financial difficulty. In an effort to permit the company to continue operating, to preserve the employment at the mill, which is **the largest single employer in Somerset County**, and to induce the parent corporation to invest an additional \$1,000,000 to cover working capital requirements and anticipated future losses, the authority has agreed to pay the 1976 property taxes and the principal and interest payments called for under the **guaranteed bonds**.