

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 785

H. P. 641

House of Representatives, March 8, 1977

On motion of Mr. Henderson of Bangor, referred to the Committee on Local and County Government. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Masterman of Milo.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

RESOLVE, Appropriating Funds for Fire Protection Equipment in the vicinity of State-owned Facilities and the Unorganized Territories at Greenville.

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

Appropriation; Greenville. Resolved: That there is appropriated from the General Fund to the Town of Greenville the sum of \$25,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1978, to be used to purchase fire protection equipment.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This legislation will appropriate \$25,000 to the Town of Greenville to be used for the purchase of a 1,000 gallon pumper fire truck for the following purpose. At this time, the Town of Greenville feels that their available fire equipment is inadequate to meet the fire protection needs it is servicing. The town presently has one 1947 truck that will carry 500 gallons of water and a 1968 truck that will carry 750 gallons. With this limited equipment, the Greenville fire department not only protects the town but also all the outlying areas, which include the state ski facilities at Squaw Mountain and the surrounding unorganized territories. Should major fires occur simultaneously in separate areas at the present time the department would have great difficulty in providing adequate protection to both. Such an arrangement could also leave the town unprotected. In addition to the ski facilities at Squaw, 6 miles out of town the State also has tax-exempt property valued at \$180,560 within the town. For its size, the Town of Greenville is considered to have an excel-

lent fire department with volunteer firefighters who are very dedicated, but with the areas for which it must provide fire protection, it cannot be done without the equipment requested by this Act.