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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1133

H. P. 936 House of Representatives, March 22, 1977 Referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Hughes of Auburn.

Cosponsors: Mrs. Boudreau of Portland, Mr. Devoe of Orono.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Making Capital Construction and Improvement Appropriations from the General Fund for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1978, to the University of Maine.

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 departments and institutions, will become due and payable on or immediately after 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:

Sec. 1. Appropriations from General Fund. In order to provide for necessary expenditures of government and other purposes for the fiscal year, July 1, 1977 to June 30, 1978, the sums set in section 5 or as much thereof as shall severally be found necessary, as designated in the following tabulations, are appropriated out of any moneys in the General Fund not otherwise appropriated.

- Sec. 2. Appropriation balances at year end. At the end of each fiscal year, all unencumbered appropriation balances representing state moneys shall carry forward from year to year to be expended for the same purposes. It is further provided that unencumbered appropriation balances at June 30, 1983, shall lapse to the General Fund. Encumbered appropriation balances at the end of each fiscal year shall be carried forward from year to year, but any balances at June 30, 1985 shall lapse to the General Fund.
- Sec. 3. Interest earnings. Any interest earned on account balances representing state moneys shall be credited to the General Fund.
- Sec. 4. Transfers. Transfers of unexpended appropriations between projects listed in this Act shall not increase or decrease the amount listed by more than 5%.
- Sec. 5. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the University of Maine to provide payment of expenses of certain obligations and expenses, incident to the operation of the University of Maine in capital construction, the sum of \$1,045,000. The breakdown shall be as follows:

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Portland/Gorham (Science Building Equipment) Orono		\$ 445,000
(English/Math Building, 3rd Floor Completion and Equipment)		150,000
All Campuses (Safety, Health and Other Improveme	nts)	450,000
Total		\$1,045,000

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

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is reflected in the emergency preamble.