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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-1149)
108TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 2183, L.D. 2175, Bill,
"AN ACT to Authorize Bond Issue in the Amount of \$2,100,000
to Establish a Dormitory at Northern Maine Vocational-Technical
Institute."

Amend the bill by striking out the title and inserting
in its place the following: 'AN ACT Appropriating \$2,100,000 to
Establish a Dormitory at Northern Maine Vocational-Technical In-
stitute."

Further amend the bill by inserting before the enacting
clause the following emergency preamble:

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

Whereas, the Northern Maine Vocational-Technical Institute
urgently needs a new dormitory, so that students will no longer
be housed in the unsafe, substandard dormitories which now
exist on campus; and

Whereas, it is the intent of this act to provide that dormi-
tory as soon as is possible, in order to protect the health,
safety and welfare of these students; 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 neces-
sary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety;
now, therefore,'

Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. Appropriation. The following funds shall be appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act:

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\$2,100,000

These funds shall be used to construct a dormitory at Northern Maine Vocational - Technical Institute.

Sec. 2. Other sources of funds. This Act shall not in any manner preclude the department or the Treasurer of State from accepting from any authorized agency of the Federal Government or other nonstate sources construction aid fund grants, debt service grant funds or other grants for the planning, construction, equipping or property acquisition for any of the projects provided for in this Act, or from entering into agreements with such agency or agencies respecting any such grants.

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

Statement of Fact

This amendment would substitute for the bond issue under

the present bill a simple appropriation to build the dormitory. This appropriation could easily be funded from surplus funds available this year and would result in a savings of over \$1,000,000 over 20 years.

Filed by Mr. Peterson of Caribou.

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