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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
111TH LEGISLATURE  
THIRD SPECIAL SESSION

7 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "<sup>B</sup>" to H.P. 1876, L.D.  
8 2478, Bill, "AN ACT to Authorize a General Fund Bond  
9 Issue in the Amount of \$12,900,000 for Capital Im-  
10 provements, Construction, Renovations, Equipment and  
11 Furnishings for Vocational-Technical Institutes."

12 Amend the Bill by striking out all of the title  
13 and inserting in its place the following:

14 'AN ACT to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the  
15 Amount of \$29,925,000 for Capital Improvements, Con-  
16 struction, Renovations, Equipment and Furnishings for  
17 Vocational-Technical Institutes; for Construction and  
18 Renovation of Higher Education Facilities at the Uni-  
19 versity of Maine; and for the Procurement of a  
20 Tugboat to be Used for Training Purposes at the Maine  
21 Maritime Academy.'

22 Further amend the Bill by striking out everything  
23 after the title and inserting in its place the fol-  
24 lowing:

25 'Preamble. Two-thirds of both Houses of the Leg-  
26 islature deeming it necessary in accordance with the  
27 Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 14, to au-  
28 thorize the issuance of bonds on behalf of the State  
29 of Maine to provide funds for capital improvements,  
30 construction, renovations, equipment and furnishings  
31 for Vocational-Technical Institutes; for construction  
32 and renovation of higher education facilities at the  
33 University of Maine; and for the procurement of a  
34 tugboat for training purposes at the Maine Maritime  
35 Academy.

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

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1           Sec. 1. Issue of bonds to provide for capital  
2 improvements, construction, renovations, equipment  
3 and furnishings for vocational-technical institutes;  
4 for construction and renovations of higher education  
5 facilities at the University of Maine; and for pro-  
6 curement of a tugboat for training purposes at the  
7 Maine Maritime Academy. The Treasurer of State is  
8 authorized, under the direction of the Governor, to  
9 issue from time to time registered bonds in the name  
10 and behalf of the State to an amount not exceeding  
11 \$29,925,000, of which \$7,585,000 may be issued on the  
12 effective date of this Act and of which \$22,340,000  
13 may be issued after July 1, 1985, for the purpose of  
14 raising funds to provide for capital improvements,  
15 construction, renovations, equipment and furnishings  
16 for vocational-technical institutes; for construction  
17 and renovation of higher education facilities at the  
18 University of Maine; and for the procurement of a  
19 tugboat for training purposes at the Maine Maritime  
20 Academy, as authorized by section 6. The bonds shall  
21 be deemed a pledge of the faith and credit of the  
22 State. The bonds shall not run for a longer period  
23 than 10 years from the date of the original issue  
24 thereof. Any issuance of bonds may contain a call  
25 feature at the discretion of the Treasurer of State  
26 with the approval of the Governor.

27           Sec. 2. Records of bonds issued to be kept by  
28 the State Auditor and Treasurer of State. The State  
29 Auditor shall keep an account of the bonds, showing  
30 the number and amount of each, the date when payable  
31 and the date of delivery thereof to the Treasurer of  
32 State who shall keep an account of each bond showing  
33 the number thereof, the name of the successful bidder  
34 to whom sold, the amount received for the same, the  
35 date of sale and the date when payable.

36           Sec. 3. Sale, how negotiated; proceeds appropri-  
37 ated. The Treasurer of State may negotiate the sale  
38 of the bonds by direction of the Governor, but no  
39 such bond shall be loaned, pledged or hypothecated in  
40 behalf of the State. The proceeds of the sale of the

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1 bonds, which shall be held by the Treasurer of State  
2 and paid by him upon warrants drawn by the Governor,  
3 are appropriated to be used solely for the purposes  
4 set forth in this Act. Any unencumbered balances re-  
5 maining at the completion of the projects in section  
6 shall lapse to the debt service account established  
7 for the retirement of these bonds.

8       **Sec. 4. Interest and debt retirement.** Interest  
9 due or accruing upon any bonds issued under this Act  
10 and all sums coming due for payment of bonds at matu-  
11 rity shall be paid by the Treasurer of State.

12       **Sec. 5. Disbursement of bonds proceeds.** The  
13 proceeds of the bonds for the vocational-technical  
14 institutes shall be expended under the direction and  
15 supervision of the Director of Public Improvements.  
16 The proceeds of the bonds for the Maine Maritime  
17 Academy shall be expended under the direction and su-  
18 pervision of the Board of Trustees of the academy.  
19 The proceeds of the bonds for the University of Maine  
20 shall be expended under the direction and supervision  
21 of the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine  
22 with the approval of the Director of Public Improve-  
23 ments.

24       **Sec. 6. Allocations from General Fund bond issue**  
25 **- vocational-technical institutes, University of**  
26 **Maine and Maine Maritime Academy.** The proceeds of  
27 the sale of bonds shall be expended as designated in  
28 the following schedule:

	1984-85	1985-86
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30	A. EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL	
31	SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF	
32	Central Maine Vocation-	
33	al-Technical Institute	\$ 1,600,000
34	Washington County Voca-	
35	tional-Tehchnical Insti-	
36	tute	\$1,120,000

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1	Eastern Maine Vocation-		
2	al-Technical Institute		1,900,000
3	Southern Maine Vocation-		
4	al-Technical Institute		2,840,000
5	Northern Maine Vocation-		
6	al-Technical Institute		2,500,000
7	Kennebec Valley Voca-		
8	tional-Technical Insti-		
9	tute	<u>2,940,000</u>	<u>          </u>
10	TOTAL, DEPARTMENT OF ED-		
11	UCATIONAL AND CULTURAL		
12	SERVICES	\$4,060,000	\$ 8,840,000
13	B. MAINE MARITIME ACADEMY		
14	Procurement of a tugboat		
15	for training purposes	\$ 525,000	
16	C. UNIVERSITY OF MAINE		
17	Chemical engineering ad-		
18	dition - University of		
19	Maine at Orono	\$3,000,000	
20	Classroom building -		
21	University of Southern		
22	Maine		\$ 3,500,000
23	Biological sciences ad-		
24	dition - University of		
25	Maine at Orono		3,000,000
26	Handicapped accessibili-		
27	ty		1,000,000
28	Renovations, alterations		
29	and minor additions -		

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1	all campuses		3,000,000
2	Computer facilities -		
3	all campuses	<u>                    </u>	<u>3,000,000</u>
4	TOTAL, UNIVERSITY OF		
5	MAINE	\$3,000,000	\$13,500,000
6	TOTAL	\$7,585,000	\$22,340,000

7           Sec. 7. Transfer between items. The amounts  
8 listed after the items in section 6, paragraph A are  
9 to be construed as a guide. Any of these amounts may  
10 be exceeded with the approval of the Governor by  
11 transfer from one item to another not exceeding 10%  
12 in the aggregate. The amounts listed after the items  
13 listed in section 6, paragraph C are to be construed  
14 as a guide. Any of these amounts may be exceeded  
15 with the approval of the Governor by transfer from  
16 one item to another not exceeding 10% in the aggre-  
17 gate.

18           Sec. 8. Contingent upon ratification of bond is-  
19 sue. Sections 1 to 7 shall not become effective un-  
20 less and until the people of the State have ratified  
21 the issuance of bonds as set forth in this Act.

22           Sec. 9. Appropriation balances at year end. At  
23 the end of each fiscal year, all unencumbered appro-  
24 priation balances representing state moneys shall  
25 carry forward from year to year. If the bond pro-  
26 ceeds which have not been expended within 10 years  
27 after the date of the sale of the bonds they shall  
28 lapse to General Fund debt service.

29           Sec. 10. Statutory referendum procedure, submis-  
30 sion at special statewide election, effective  
31 date. This Act shall be submitted to the legal vot-  
32 ers of the State of Maine at the next general or spe-  
33 cial statewide election following passage of this  
34 Act. The city aldermen, town selectmen and  
35 plantation assessors of this State shall notify the

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1 inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and  
2 plantations to meet in the manner prescribed by law  
3 for holding a statewide election to vote on the ac-  
4 ceptance or rejection of this Act by voting on the  
5 following question.

6 "Do you favor a \$29,925,000 bond issue for build-  
7 ings at vocational-technical institutes; for con-  
8 struction and renovation of higher education facili-  
9 ties at the University of Maine; and for a tugboat at  
10 the Maine Maritime Academy?"

11 The legal voters of each city, town and  
12 plantation shall vote by ballot on this question and  
13 shall designate their choice by a cross or check mark  
14 placed within a corresponding square below the word  
15 "Yes" or "No." The ballots shall be received,  
16 sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and  
17 plantation meetings and returns made to the Secretary  
18 of State in the same manner as votes for members of  
19 the Legislature. The Governor shall review the re-  
20 turns, and, if it appears that a majority of the le-  
21 gal voters are in favor of the Act, the Governor  
22 shall proclaim that fact without delay, and the Act  
23 shall become effective 30 days after the date of the  
24 proclamation.

25 The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish  
26 to each city, town and plantation all ballots, re-  
27 turns and copies of this Act necessary to carry out  
28 the purpose of this referendum.

29 FISCAL NOTE

30 The total cost of this bill is estimated to be  
31 \$44,732,168, consisting of \$29,925,000 in principal  
32 and \$14,807,168 in interest. The bonds effective on  
33 the effective date of this Act are based on 8 1/4%  
34 interest for 10 years and the bonds issued after July  
35 1, 1985 are based on 9 1/4% interest for 10 years.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment provides for a bond issue in the amount of \$29,925,000 for capital improvements, construction, renovations, equipment and furnishings for vocational-technical institutes; for construction and renovation of higher education facilities at the University of Maine; and for the procurement of a tugboat for training purposes at the Maine Maritime Academy. Included are:

1. Building addition for machine tool, automotive, graphic arts and welding programs at Central Maine Vocational-Technical Institute;
2. New wing for classroom space at Washington County Vocational-Technical Institute;
3. Heavy mechanics building for machine tool, refrigeration, air conditioning, drafting and electronics programs at Eastern Maine Vocational-Technical Institutes;
4. New building to house the library, allied health center and administrative offices at Southern Maine Vocational-Technical Institute;
5. New multi-purpose building to house licensed practical nurse, associate degree nurse, electrical, electronics and masonry programs at Northern Maine Vocational-Technical Institute;
6. Building addition to house allied health and business-secretarial programs at Kennebec Valley Vocational-Technical Institute.
7. Chemical engineering addition at the University of Maine at Orono;
8. Classroom building at the University of



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1 Southern Maine;

2 9. Biological sciences addition at the Universi-  
3 ty of Maine at Orono;

4 10. Handicapped accessibility;

5 11. Renovations, alterations and minor additions  
6 at all university campuses;

7 12. Computer facilities at all campuses; and

8 13. Procurement of a tugboat for training pur-  
9 poses at the Maine Maritime Academy.

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