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1 (After Deadline)
2 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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4 ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE
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6 Legislative Document

No. 727

8 S.P. 269

In Senate, February 27, 1985

9 Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council
10 pursuant to Joint Rule 27.

11 Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs
suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator Diamond of Cumberland.

Cosponsored by Representative Carroll of Gray.

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15 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
16 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE
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18 AN ACT to Appropriate Funds to the State
19 Library for Support of the Information
20 Exchange.
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22 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
23 follows:

24 Sec. 1. 27 MRSA §2, sub-§2, as enacted by PL
25 1979, c. 541, Pt. A, §185, is repealed and the fol-
26 lowing enacted in its place:

27 2. Exchanges. For the purpose of carrying out
28 this section, the State Librarian shall be empowered
29 to provide the following:

30 A. Conduct a system of exchanges with other li-
31 braries and institutions of learning; and

32 B. Provide a service which will collect state
33 and national educational research and resources
34 to be made available to all State educators and
35 citizens.

1 Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds are
2 appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the
3 purposes of this Act.

4 5	<u>EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF</u>	APPROPRIATION FROM <u>GENERAL FUND</u>	
6		<u>1985-86</u>	<u>1986-87</u>
7 8	Maine State Library Bu- reau		
9	Positions	(3)	(3)
10	Personal Services	\$56,736	\$59,904
11	All Other	<u>24,500</u>	<u>25,000</u>
12	Totals	\$81,236	\$84,904

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STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to appropriate funds to be used in support of an education information sharing service. This program will promote the utilization of Maine's human and material resources for the benefit of both the state's school population and the educational system by cost-effective centralization and dissemination of those resources.

Teachers, school administrators, parents and other Maine citizens will benefit from this service by having access to state and national educational computer data bases. Maine's students from grades K to 12 will also benefit from this program because the instruction they receive will reflect the most updated educational resources and research.

This proposal also provides for the continued maintenance of the Maine Resource Bank which is Maine's own computer file. It contains listings of people, programs and materials in Maine which are available to help educators with curriculum development and instruction.

These services will be provided at no charge and a toll-free number will be made available.

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