

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

NO. 352

H.P. 269 House of Representatives, February 12, 1987  
Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and  
Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Speaker MARTIN of Eagle Lake.

Cosponsored by Representatives VOSE of Eastport, CHONKO  
of Topsham and JACKSON of Harrison.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN

1 AN ACT to appropriate funds to the Department  
2 of Human Services to provide training  
3 and technical assistance to community  
4 public drinking water supplies.  
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6 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as  
7 follows:

8 Appropriation. The following funds are appropri-  
9 ated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes  
10 of this Act.

	<u>1987-88</u>	<u>1988-89</u>
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12	<u>HUMAN SERVICES,</u>	
13	<u>DEPARTMENT OF</u>	
14	All Other	\$70,000 \$73,000

1 Funds to be used  
2 to contract with  
3 the Maine Rural  
4 Water Associa-  
5 tion to provide  
6 training and  
7 technical as-  
8 sistance to com-  
9 munity public  
10 drinking water  
11 supplies.

12 STATEMENT OF FACT

13 Recent amendments to the Federal Safe Drinking  
14 Water Act will put greater training requirements and  
15 financial burdens on the State's water systems. Sev-  
16 eral suppliers may need to construct new filtration  
17 plants and to train personnel to operate them. With  
18 this appropriation, the Maine Rural Water Association  
19 will be able to fulfill these new training needs of  
20 the State's water suppliers and to help communities  
21 secure the necessary financing for new facilities. In  
22 addition, the association will continue offering  
23 technical assistance to communities with hydrocarbon  
24 contamination of private wells. These communities  
25 need technical support in developing new community  
26 drinking water facilities. The Department of Human  
27 Services, as regulator of drinking water supplies in  
28 the State, is the appropriate agency to administer  
29 these funds.

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