

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 119th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-1999

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Legislative Document

No. 172

S.P. 69

In Senate, January 11, 1999

**An Act to Enhance Maine's Relationship with Aomori, Japan by Hosting  
a Cultural Exchange.**

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator DAGGETT of Kennebec.  
Cosponsored by Representative BRENNAN of Portland and  
Senators: AMERO of Cumberland, CATHCART of Penobscot, Representatives: MAYO of  
Bath, O'BRIEN of Augusta.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

4 **Sec. 1. 27 MRSA §85-A, sub-§4**, as amended by PL 1991, c. 780,  
Pt. M, §2, is further amended to read:

6 **4. Acceptance of gifts, grants, donations, bequests,**  
7 **endowments and membership fees.** To accept gifts, grants,  
8 donations, bequests, endowments and membership fees for purposes  
10 consistent with the purposes of this chapter. Any funds, if  
of State according to the laws governing the investment of trust  
12 funds. All gifts, grants, donations, bequests and proceeds of  
endowment funds must be used solely to carry out the purposes for  
14 which they were made;

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

18 **1999-00**

20 **MAINE STATE MUSEUM**

22 **Research and Collection - Museum**

24 All Other \$200,000

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28 Provides funds to bring an  
art exhibit currently located  
30 in Aomori, Japan to Maine as  
part of a cultural exchange.  
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34 **SUMMARY**

36 This bill appropriates funds for a cultural exchange between  
the State of Maine and Aomori, Japan. The bill also authorizes  
38 the acceptance of grants, private gifts and donations in support  
of bringing the Aomori exhibit to Maine.