

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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No. 1886

S.P. 664

In Senate, March 16, 1999

**An Act to Appropriate Funds for Marketing to Promote Economic
Development.**

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 MICHAUD of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative CLARK of Millinocket and
Senators: KONTOS of Cumberland, LONGLEY of Waldo, Representative: STANLEY of
Medway.

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

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

6		1999-00	2000-01
8	ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY		
10	DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF		
	Business Development		
12	All Other	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000
14			
16	Provides funds to Maine and		
18	Co. to continue the business		
20	attraction and expansion		
	marketing efforts established		
	in Public Law 1997, chapter		
	643, Part CC, section 1.		
22	Administration - Economic and		
	Community Development		
24			
26	All Other	\$200,000	\$200,000
28			
30	Provides for the		
32	appropriation of state		
	matching funds to the Maine		
	Extension Partnership due to		
	a declining federal cost		
	share.		
34	Maine Small Business Commission		
36	All Other	\$125,000	\$125,000
38			
40	Provides funds to be		
42	distributed as follows:		
44	\$75,000 to the Eastern Maine		
46	Development Corporation for		
48	additional rural counseling		
	capacity; \$29,500 to the		
	Androscoggin Valley Council		
	of Governments for additional		
	rural counseling capacity;		
	and \$20,500 to the Lead		
	Office for related expenses.		

2	Francophone Office - Lewiston, Maine		
4	All Other	\$50,000	\$50,000
6	Provides funds for the		
8	promotion of international		
10	trade and cultural affairs		
	with the French-speaking		
	nations of the world.		
12	DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND		
14	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT		
	TOTAL	<u>\$1,875,000</u>	<u>\$1,875,000</u>
16	UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM,		
18	BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE		
	Strategic Technology Initiative		
20	All Other	\$200,000	
22	Provides funds for the		
24	"Strategic Technology		
26	Initiative," a collaborative		
28	effort by the University of		
30	Maine System and the Eastern		
32	Maine Development		
34	Corporation, to examine		
	technological opportunities		
	using the wood-based natural		
	resources and the existing		
	skilled labor pool in the		
	Millinocket region.		
36	BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE		
38	UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM		
	TOTAL	<u>\$200,000</u>	
40	TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	<u>\$2,075,000</u>	<u>\$1,875,000</u>

44 **SUMMARY**

46 This bill provides General Fund appropriations in fiscal
48 year 1999-00 and fiscal year 2000-01 to continue business
50 attraction and marketing efforts and for additional funds for the
Maine Extension Partnership due to declining federal funds, the
Small Business Development Commission for targeted rural

2 counseling and the promotion of international trade and cultural affairs with the French-speaking nations of the world. The bill also provides funds for the "Strategic Technology Initiative."