

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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### **An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Fund Equipment for Career and Technical Education Centers**

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Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Received by the Clerk of the House on December 21, 2015. Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

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ROBERT B. HUNT  
Clerk

Presented by Representative FECTEAU of Biddeford.  
Cosponsored by Senator LANGLEY of Hancock and  
Representatives: DAVITT of Hampden, DOORE of Augusta, DUNPHY of Old Town,  
EVANGELOS of Friendship, GROHMAN of Biddeford, HYMANSON of York, MAKER of  
Calais, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MASTRACCIO of Sanford, McCREIGHT of Harpswell,  
NADEAU of Winslow, PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield, POULIOT of Augusta, RYKERSON of  
Kittery, TEPLER of Topsham, Senators: DUTREMBLE of York, PATRICK of Oxford,  
WOODSOME of York.

1           **Preamble.** Two thirds of both Houses of the Legislature deeming it necessary in  
2 accordance with the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 14 to authorize the  
3 issuance of bonds on behalf of the State of Maine to provide funds as described in this  
4 Act,

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

6           **Sec. 1. Authorization of bonds.** The Treasurer of State is authorized, under the  
7 direction of the Governor, to issue bonds in the name and on behalf of the State in an  
8 amount not exceeding \$25,000,000 for the purposes described in section 5 of this Act.  
9 The bonds are a pledge of the full faith and credit of the State. The bonds may not run for  
10 a period longer than 10 years from the date of the original issue of the bonds.

11           **Sec. 2. Records of bonds issued; Treasurer of State.** The Treasurer of State  
12 shall ensure that an account of each bond is kept showing the number of the bond, the  
13 name of the successful bidder to whom sold, the amount received for the bond, the date of  
14 sale and the date when payable.

15           **Sec. 3. Sale; how negotiated; proceeds appropriated.** The Treasurer of State  
16 may negotiate the sale of the bonds by direction of the Governor, but no bond may be  
17 loaned, pledged or hypothecated on behalf of the State. The proceeds of the sale of the  
18 bonds, which must be held by the Treasurer of State and paid by the Treasurer of State  
19 upon warrants drawn by the State Controller, are appropriated solely for the purposes set  
20 forth in this Act. Any unencumbered balances remaining at the completion of the project  
21 in this Act lapse to the Office of the Treasurer of State to be used for the retirement of  
22 general obligation bonds.

23           **Sec. 4. Interest and debt retirement.** The Treasurer of State shall pay interest  
24 due or accruing on any bonds issued under this Act and all sums coming due for payment  
25 of bonds at maturity.

26           **Sec. 5. Disbursement of bond proceeds from General Fund bond issue.**  
27 The proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized under this Act must be expended as  
28 designated in the following schedule under the direction and supervision of the agencies  
29 and entities set forth in this section.

30           **EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF**

31           Provides funds to purchase equipment for and make capital improvements to career  
32           and technical education centers.

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34           Total \$25,000,000

35           **Sec. 6. Contingent upon ratification of bond issue.** Sections 1 to 5 do not  
36 become effective unless the people of the State ratify the issuance of the bonds as set  
37 forth in this Act.

