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H.P. 169

House of Representatives, January 22, 2019

An Act To Raise the University of Maine System Debt Ceiling

Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

ROBERT B. HUNT Clerk

R(+ B. Hunt

Presented by Representative DUNPHY of Old Town.

Cosponsored by Senator DILL of Penobscot and

Representatives: HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, JORGENSEN of Portland, KORNFIELD of

Bangor, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MOONEN of Portland, PIERCE of Falmouth, SCHNECK of

Bangor, Senator: BREEN of Cumberland.

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

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- **Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §10952, sub-§7,** as amended by PL 2005, c. 386, Pt. U, §1, is further amended to read:
- 7. Borrow money. To borrow money pursuant to this chapter and issue evidences of indebtedness to finance the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, improvement or equipping of any one project, or more than one, or any combination of projects, or to refund evidences of indebtedness hereafter issued or to refund general obligation debt of the State, or to refund any such refunding evidences of indebtedness or for any one, or more than one, or all of those purposes, or any combination of those purposes, and to provide for the security and payment of those evidences of indebtedness and for the rights of the holders of them, except that any borrowing pursuant to this chapter, exclusive of borrowing to refund evidences of indebtedness, to refund general obligation debt of the State, or to fund issuance costs or necessary reserves, may not exceed in the aggregate principal amount outstanding at any time \$220,000,000 \$350,000,000, and except that no borrowing may be effected pursuant to this chapter unless the amount of the borrowing and the project or projects are submitted to the legislative Office of Fiscal and Program Review for review by the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over appropriations and financial affairs at least 30 days before closing on such borrowing for the project or projects is to be initiated;

20 SUMMARY

This bill increases the borrowing authority for the University of Maine System from \$220,000,000 to \$350,000,000.