

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE

NO. 337

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*House of Representatives, March 1, 1911.*

*Reported by Mr. Shea from Committee on Appropriations and  
Financial Affairs and ordered printed under joint rules.*

*C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.*

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STATE OF MAINE

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RESOLVE in aid of the Temporary Home for Women and  
Children at Portland.

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*Resolved:* That the sum of five thousand dollars be and  
2 hereby is appropriated for the use of the Temporary Home  
3 for Women and Children at Portland, of which two thou-  
4 sand five hundred dollars shall be paid to said institution dur-  
5 ing the year nineteen hundred and eleven, and two thousand  
6 five hundred dollars during the year nineteen hundred and  
7 twelve, for maintenance.

## STATEMENT OF FACTS.

The Temporary Home for Women and Children, incorporated in April, 1882, was organized to provide temporary shelter and assistance to those, who but for its existence might become objects of public charity. It is not an orphan asylum, a lying-in hospital or an industrial training school, but it is obliged to serve each of these purposes. The inmates come from all parts of the state, mainly from the smaller towns, the number at any one time averaging from forty to fifty. Two-thirds of these are babies and children under four years of age.

The Home is entirely unsectarian, and the women composing the Board of Managers who look after its affairs to the smallest detail, perform their duties without compensation.

The institution has an endowment of \$23,300.

The appropriation from the state heretofore has paid about one-half the running expenses. The remainder has been met by the income from fund, private subscriptions and the small amount paid by the inmates when possible.

At present, the buildings are in good condition and well equipped, but without assistance from the state, the work of the institution cannot be carried on.

Its need in the community is imperative, and it is hoped that the customary appropriation may be allowed.