

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE

NO. 594

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*House of Representatives, March 21, 1913.*

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

*W. R. ROIX, Clerk.*

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STATE OF MAINE

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RESOLVE in favor of Presque Isle General Hospital, Presque  
Isle.

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*Resolved,* That there be and hereby is appropriated the  
2 sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars to be paid the Presque  
3 Isle General Hospital, Presque Isle, for the year nineteen hun-  
4 dred and thirteen and the sum of seven hundred and fifty  
5 dollars for the year nineteen hundred and fourteen, for  
6 maintenance.

STATEMENT OF FACTS TO ACCOMPANY THE RESOLVE IN FAVOR OF THE PRESQUE ISLE GENERAL HOSPITAL.

The Presque Isle General Hospital is a charitable and benevolent corporation, created by law and established at Presque Isle, Maine, for the care of the sick and to establish and maintain a training school for nurses. It was incorporated in April 1912. It has a man's ward with a capacity of from seven to ten beds; and a woman's ward with a like capacity. The charge for patients in these wards is two dollars per day. It has six private rooms with a daily charge of from three to four dollars. There are thirty-six rooms including halls in the hospital. The complete plant is valued at from \$12,000 to \$14,000. It has a debt of about \$5,000. The hospital opened May 1, 1912 with one patient and it has nine patients now, (Oct. 21, 1912). It has treated sixty-seven patients since it was opened. Its monthly expenditures and receipts are upwards of \$300. In the establishment of this hospital it was the moving motive of the men and women behind the project that the hospital should treat some of the needy poor in the wards without charge and the trustees of this hospital ask the State to appropriate to it \$750.00 per year for two years, said sum to be wholly and only used for free work in the wards.

The trustees also ask the State to appropriate \$1,000 to build an elevator in the hospital, it now being necessary to carry all operative patients up winding stairs to the operating room and back again. And the trustees also ask the State to appropriate \$500 to purchase a pressure sterilizer another of the most needed attachments the hospital should have, to do good and efficient work.

As a charitable and benevolent institution it is the desire of the trustees to do the largest amount of helpful work for the sick and especially for the needy sick and these sums are asked from the State to put into operation this desire.

This is the only general hospital in Presque Isle, and there

is no other general hospital in the towns of Easton, Westfield, Mapleton, Caribou, and Fort Fairfield, which adjoin the town of Presque Isle. The Presque Isle General Hospital has no endowment fund, but for its support is wholly dependent upon voluntary contributions and such sums as patients may be able to pay for treatment in said hospital.