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In House of Representatives, Feb. 26, 1915.

Reported by Mr. Smith from Committee on State School for Boys and Industrial School for Girls and ordered printed under joint rules.

C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

RESQLVE, in favor of the State School for Boys.

Resolved, That there be and hereby is appropriated the 2 sum of six hundred dollars (\$600) to be paid to the trustees 3 of juvenile institutions to be expended for the purchase of 4 instruments for the organization of a band at the State 5 School for Boys.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

There is an average attendance of 180 boys at the State School for Boys, and it is believed that this is the only institution of its kind and size which does not have a boys' band. Offers have been received from directors of two or three of the best bands in Maine to instruct the boys, free of charge, and it has, also, been arranged that the music will be furnished without expense to the state. The organization of the band is for the purpose of discipline and education, and will enable the boys upon their discharge to secure work and perhaps will give them such training as will enable them to accept and competently fill positions in orchestras and bands. The organization of the band will, also, lead to the formation of a military company. The money asked for in this resolve will be expended for musical instruments, and the musical instruments will become and remain the property of the State of Maine. There will be absolutely no more expended for the organization or maintenance of this band.