

SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 66

In Senate, Feb. 10, 1915. Ordered, That five hundred copies be printed and that the same be referred to the Committee on Education.

Committee on Reference.

Presented by Mr. Walker of Somerset.

STATE OF MAINE

RESOLVE, in favor of the Maine Teachers' Association to assist in the publication of bulletins and a journal of proceedings.

Resolved, That the sum of five hundred dollars be appro-2 priated annually to assist the Maine Teachers' Association 3 in the publication of bulletins and a journal of proceedings 4 of the annual meeting of said association. The governor 5 and council are hereby authorized to draw their warrant for 6 the payment of said amount to the treasurer of said associa-7 tion upon the presentation of a certificate approved by the 8 state superintendent of public schools and such certificate 9 shall give evidence that an amount in excess of the sum 10 herein appropriated has been expended by said association 11 for the purposes for which this appropriation is made.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

The Maine Teachers' Association, enrolling at its 1914 convention 3,964 members, has placed itself on record in favor of the publication of bulletins and a journal of proceedings of its annual meeting. Through such publications the usefulness of this association to its members could be increased and the circle of its influence extended to those teachers in the state who cannot regularly attend its sessions.

An estimate of the cost of such publications would indicate that a total expenditure of about a thousand dollars will be required annual income of the association. While the association is entirely self-supporting at present, it has not sufficient income to meet the expense of such publications additional to the large expenses necessary to support other activities. The members of the Maine Teachers' Association request that the state assist by meeting approximately one-half of the expense of this publication with the knowledge that the educational gain thereby to the state as a whole would warrant an annual appropriation to the amount requested.