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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND NINETEEN

RESOLVE Appropriating Money for the Purchase of Traveling Libraries for High Schools.

Resolved: That there be, and hereby is, appropriated the 2 sum of five hundred dollars for the year nineteen hundred 3 nineteen, and the sum of five hundred dollars for the year 4 nineteen hundred twenty, for the purchase of traveling li-5 braries for circulation among high schools; said libraries 6 to be made up of books, lantern slides, charts and other 7 reference material selected by the state superintendent of 8 public schools and purchased and circulated by the Maine 9 Library Commission.

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STATEMENT OF FACTS

The Legislatures of 1915 and 1917 both appropriated money for the purchase of traveling libraries for high schools. A majority of the towns in the state cannot afford to purchase the reference books needed in their high schools, both for scholars and teachers. This special appropriation enables a school to obtain the necessary books. The regular libraries, of course, do not meet this need. The demand for special libraries is urgent.