

EIGHTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

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ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Holmes of Androscoggin.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVEN

RESOLVE, in Favor of St. Elizabeth's Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum and Holy Innocents' Home, Portland, Maine.

Resolved: That there be and is hereby appropriated the 2 sum of seven thousand (\$7,000) dollars for St. Elizabeth's 3 Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum and Holy Innocents' Home, 4 both in Portland, Maine, for maintenance only for the term 5 July 1, 1927 to June 30, 1928, and for the same institutions 6 the sum of seven thousand (\$7,000) dollars for maintenance 7 only for the term July 1, 1928 to June 30, 1929.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

These two charitable institutions are located in the City of Portland, and provide for children from all parts of the state, especially the southern and western sections. St. Elizabeth's Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum is for orphaned and neglected girls from the age of five to fifteen years. Holy Innocents' Home is for orphaned and neglected infants from one hour up to four years of age. The capacity of St. Elizabeth's is about seventy-five and that of Holy Innocents' fifty.

Both institutions are under the care of the Sisters of Mercy, a religious Congregation of the Roman Catholic Church, and its members devote their lives to charity and education. Both institutions are generally filled to capacity. The Sisters in charge receive no salary and the same is true of the doctors and clergymen who attend to the needs of these institutions.

Formerly, a separate appropriation was made for each institution, but upon the suggestion of the State Board of Charities, both are included in the appropriation above stated.

The sums mentioned are identical with the figures stated in the Budget. The financial statements are in the hands of the State Board of Charities and both institutions were represented at the hearing before the Budget Committee held in Portland on November 8, 1926.