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ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Speirs of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Assist the Posts of the American Legion in the Erection of Buildings for Headquarters.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:
Section I. Any post of the American Legion, incorpo-2 rated under the laws of Maine, which proposes to erect in 3 this state a building to provide suitable headquarters for its 4 own use and for the uses of the state when needed, shall 5 receive aid from the state to the amount of one-half the 6 cost thereof, which aid, however, in no case, shall exceed 7 the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, for any one build-8 ing.

Sect. 2. Before erecting such building, or contracting for 2 its erection, such post shall first submit its plans and speci-

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3 fications to the armory commission for its approval; no 4 funds shall be authorized or expended by the state for the 5 erection of such building without such approval.

Sect. 3. Such buildings, when erected, shall be used by 2 the state at such times and for such purposes as deemed 3 advisable by the armory commission.

Sect. 4. In addition to the use of such buildings by the 2 state and the American Legion, the same shall be available 3 at a nominal rental for all proper uses by posts of the Grand 4 Army of the Republic which do not own their own head-5 quarters and all allied veterans' organizations and by camps 6 of United Spanish Veterans and auxiliaries. The rental 7 when used by these organizations to be determined jointly 8 by the armory commission and the American Legion post 9 concerned. Whenever the state shall use such building for 10 any purpose, the amount of the rental to be paid the Legion 11 post therefor shall be determined by the armory commission.

Sect. 5. The American Legion post erecting such build2 ing shall be held responsible at all times for the proper main3 tenance and repairs of building erected under the provisions
4 of this act. In the event any Legion post erecting a build5 ing under the terms of this act fails to properly maintain
6 and keep in repair such building, the same shall be taken
7 over by the state and controlled by the armory commission.
Sect. 6. In such buildings shall be provided suitable places
2 for the safe keeping of flags and records of the organiza-

3 tions hereinbefore mentioned using them.

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Sect. 7. To carry out the provisions of this act, there is 2 hereby appropriated the sum of fifty thousand dollars, which 3 sum shall be a continuing appropriation until used as spe-4 cified.

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