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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND THIRTY-THREE

AN ACT to Obtain Federal Aid for the Building of Additional Accommodations for the Augusta State Hospital.

Emergency Preamble. Whereas, if proper authority was granted to the state officials, federal aid could be obtained for the building of additional accommodations at the Augusta State Hospital; and

Whereas, the accommodations at the aforesaid hospital for the insane are inadequate for the proper care and treatment of the patients therein, and that should be admitted thereto; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of section 16 of Article XXXI of the constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, now, therefore

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. The governor and council authorized to obtain federal aid for the Augusta State Hospital. The governor and the council are hereby directed and authorized to obtain such aid and assistance from the federal government as is or may be possible under present or future laws, rules, or regulations of the federal government as will result in the improvement of and addition to the present equipment and accommodations of the Augusta State Hospital.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated the sum of \$100,-000 to be at the disposal of the governor and his council, or so much thereof as may be necessary, taking into consideration the aid received from the federal government, to prepare the said Augusta State Hospital to better take care of the proper legal demands on its facilities; provided, however, that this appropriation shall be effective only on condition that federal aid is obtained on the aforesaid project.

Emergency Clause. In view of the emergency created as recited in the preamble this act shall take effect when approved.