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Legislative Document

No. 697

H. P. 1475

House of Representatives, February 16, 1937.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and 500 copies ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Flanders of Auburn.

S T A T E O F M A I N E

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Appropriating Moneys for Overdrafts Already Incurred Due to Insufficient Appropriations and Anticipated Overdrafts and Other Obligations for Which no Legislative Appropriations Have Been Made.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the funds appropriated for the support of certain dependent persons for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1936, were insufficient and an operating deficit was created; and

Whereas, for the present fiscal year appropriations for the support of such dependent persons is entirely exhausted; and

Whereas, certain other appropriations for carrying on the activities of state government are likewise exhausted; and

Whereas, there are outstanding unpaid obligations which were legally contracted for under existing laws; and

Whereas, existing statutes provide for the support and treatment of certain persons as a direct obligation of the state; and

Whereas, there are no funds in the treasury that can be utilized for such purposes, 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 requires 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:

Emergency appropriations. There is hereby appropriated for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1937 the following sums from any funds in the treasury, which may be hereafter provided, for the following deficiencies:

Dept. of Health & Welfare:

Aid & Relief,

Pauper support, fiscal year 1935-36 (to be credited to sinking fund reserve)	\$842,992.41
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Pauper support and other dependent persons, 1st 6 months, 1936-37	154,662.75
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Bal. of fiscal year 1936-37	700,000.00
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Included in the above amounts are pauper bills and claims, not paid because not presented during time fixed by law, amounting to \$13,632.68, a detailed list of which is filed with state budget officer.

Surplus commodity distribution and administration of old age assistance	75,000.00
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Contingent fund	150,000.00
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Institutional requirements, by reason of new construction

Augusta State Hospital	22,000.00
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Pownal State School	25,000.00
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Unemployment Insurance Commission

In accordance with law passed at special session, December, 1936, chapter 192, public laws, 1936, (appropriated but no funds)	25,000.00
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Expenses, December special session	10,000.00
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Dept. of Agriculture:

Bangs Disease	39,728.00
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Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble hereof, this act shall take effect when approved.