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Legislative Document

No. 176

H. P. 427.

House of Representatives, January 23, 1941.

Referred to Committee on Insane Hospitals and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Murchie of Calais.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-ONE

**RESOLVE, Providing for Renovation of Electrical Service, Steam Plant,
Fire Protection Service and Bakery at the Bangor State Hospital.**

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the electrical equipment at the Bangor State Hospital is in such condition that it seems necessary because of inadequate service and waste of electrical current to renew the equipment as soon as it is reasonably possible to do so; and

Whereas, a recent survey of the steam plant at said hospital by a competent engineer shows that because of age it is ineconomical and unsafe and in danger of breaking down with serious results. The same is true of the fire protection system; the water standpipes in this system leaking badly in almost every section; and

Whereas, the bakery equipment at the institution is entirely insufficient for the present population and considerable portion of said equipment is beyond repair because of age; and

Whereas, a serious fire hazard exists because of some of the conditions recited above; and

Whereas, the renewal of the entire equipment, as listed above, would mean a considerable saving in cost of operation; 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

Renovation of electrical service, steam plant, fire protection service and bakery at the Bangor State Hospital; appropriation for. Resolved: That there be, and hereby is, appropriated the following sums for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1941, to be expended by the department of institutional service, with the approval of the governor, for the purposes herein specified:

\$50,000 for renovation of electrical service, including installation of new service lines; switchboard and equipment; replacing worn out motors and other parts and changing all power from direct to alternating current at said hospital;

\$30,000 for renovation of heating plant and fire protection system at said hospital;

\$20,000 for enlarging bakery and new equipment for same at said hospital.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency recited in the preamble hereof, this resolve shall take effect when approved.