

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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S. P. 273

In Senate, February 8, 1945.

Referred to the Committee on State School for Boys, State School for Girls, and State Reformatories, sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Leavitt of Cumberland.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-FIVE

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**RESOLVE, Providing for Purchase of Land and Buildings for the State Reformatory for Women.**

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**Purchase of land and buildings for state reformatory for women, authorized. Resolved:** That the commissioner of institutional service be, and hereby is, authorized to purchase for use by the state reformatory for women land and buildings, situated in the town of Skowhegan and now owned by L. A. Caswell of said Skowhegan, according to the terms expressed in an option dated January 31, 1945; and be it further

**Resolved:** That the sum of \$3,000 be, and hereby is, appropriated from the general fund of the state for this purpose.

### STATEMENT OF FACTS

This is a property of about 80 to 85 acres, is located on the westerly boundary of the women's reformatory, will cut approximately 40 tons of hay, will provide much needed pasturage and considerable cordwood. At the present time the institution is buying some 20 to 50 tons of hay at a cost of approximately \$25 per ton, including delivery charges. This expense will be entirely eliminated should this property be purchased. The small pasturage which the institution now has has become nearly barren from usage and in the past 2 years the institution has had to hire additional pasturage at a cost of \$50 to \$100. This property, being located directly adjoining the grounds of the institution, not only affords the advantages already stated, but would create a further zone beyond the institution similar to one purchased a few years ago on the easterly side to prevent the building of residences or camps by outside interests, which would materially interfere with the proper handling of the population of the reformatory.