

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Hopkins of Kennebec.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-FIVE

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**RESOLVE, in Favor of the Maine State Apprenticeship Council, to  
Provide Funds for Its Expense and Program.**

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**Maine State Apprenticeship Council; appropriation. Resolved:** That there be, and hereby is, appropriated in favor of the Maine State Apprenticeship Council, the sum of \$2000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1946, and the sum of \$2000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947, for expense of the maintenance of the Council and the promotion of its program.

## STATEMENT OF FACTS

Chapter 258 of the public laws of 1943 was an act providing for a system of apprenticeship whereby voluntarily made agreements of apprenticeship would be encouraged; establishing standards for such agreements in conformity with the minimum apprenticeship standards of the federal committee on apprentice training; creating an apprenticeship council and defining its duties.

In pursuance of this act, Governor Sumner Sewall appointed an apprenticeship council composed of 9 members, to wit: D. Leslie Lamkin, Henry Hageman and Harold H. Chadbourne, representing the employees; R. A. Kettley, Iver Iverson III and H. G. Noyes, representing the employers, and Cyril M. Joly, Morris Cates and Paul Bartlett, representing the public.

The 1943 act provided no appropriation whatever for clerk hire, postage, printing, development of program or expenses of the members of the council, all of which expenses have to date been borne by the members or contributed, and in the way of clerical expense and postage by the department of labor, which no longer can carry this burden.

The members of the council have gladly given of their time, efforts and personal resources in laying the ground work for this assignment but the maintenance of the council and a wise and steady development of its plans now calls for a modest appropriation to meet the expense of the next two years. The expense involved is a fair responsibility of the state; the benefits to industry, youth and the veteran will yield bountiful returns to the development of Maine and its industrial resources. The apprenticeship program, once developed and functioning, can be and should be, an important part of our industrial life. Such benefits will result in industrial growth and larger taxes to the state from larger producing industries and should not be a free enterprise on the part of the council.

The council in view of its past efforts, analysis of its needs for the continued functioning and development of a slow, steady and modest program, requests the appropriation of \$2000 for each year, ending June 30, 1946, and June 30, 1947, and submits a proposed annual budget as follows:

Clerk hire	\$1,000.00
Development of program, printing, travel, postage and sundries	1,000.00
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	\$2,000.00