

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 80

House of Representatives, January 16, 1947.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Collins of Caribou.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-SEVEN

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**RESOLVE, in Favor of the University of Maine for Buildings.**

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**Plant science and engineering buildings, appropriation for. Resolved:**  
That there be and hereby is appropriated in favor of the University of Maine the sum of \$400,000 for aid in constructing and equipping a plant science buildings and an engineering building.

## STATEMENT OF FACTS

The 92nd legislature in regular session appropriated \$629,000 for the construction of a plant science building and an engineering building. This was the amount by which the state failed to meet in full the one mill tax since its inception in 1929. It was known that this amount would not by itself be sufficient to complete these buildings, then estimated to cost about \$750,000. The University then had funds to supplement this appropriation, which funds have since been exhausted.

The same legislature in special session appropriated \$400,000 to be added to the \$629,000 already available. This appropriation was part of the measure submitted to the people by referendum and it failed. The same amount is now requested. It may not be sufficient to pay for the buildings as originally designed, as construction costs are considerably higher. The need for these buildings is urgent.