

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NINETY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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In Senate, January 28, 1949.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Hopkins of Kennebec.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-NINE

RESOLVE Providing for Completion of Medical and Surgical Building
at the Augusta State Hospital.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, present facilities for surgery at this institution are inadequate and inconveniently located at scattered locations and should be brought together in a central unit equally accessible to both the male and female sides of the institution, and

Whereas, such facilities are most important in the interest of proper care and treatment of the patients and economy and efficiency of operation, and

Whereas, funds for this construction are insufficient thereby making it necessary to reject all bids which were procured for same, and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature these facts create an emergency under the meaning of the constitution and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the health and safety of the inmates and personnel of the institution,

Completion of medical and surgical building at the Augusta state hospital. Resolved: That the sum of \$65,000 be, and hereby is, appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of the general fund to augment funds currently available to permit construction of a medical and surgical building at the Augusta state hospital.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Funds for new construction and repairs at the hospital had been made available by the Legislature in the amount of \$350,000, but the necessary expenditure of \$62,781 of this money for re-roofing, pointing and fire protection depleted this building fund so that we were unable to accept the low bid, and this resolve would serve to supplement the remainder of this money so that the much needed surgical building can be constructed. Plans and specifications for this building are ready.

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