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House of Representatives, February 23, 1949

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Burgess of Limestone.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-NINE

AN ACT Providing for the Establishment of a State of Maine Information Center.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. State of Maine Information Center, authorized. As a matter of public exigency, a building to be known as the "State of Maine Information Center" shall be constructed in the town of Kittery on a suitable and convenient lot of land at, or near, the junction of the state highway, designated as U. S. Highway No. 1, and the terminus of the Maine turnpike. Said building shall be designed, constructed and used for the purpose of maintaining and operating an office or bureau to furnish assistance and impartial information to the people of the state, and to the general public, concerning the agricultural, industrial and recreational resources, activities and attractions of the state and its public travel routes. Said building shall also be so constructed as to provide adequate space for a suitable display of the industrial, agricultural, fishing and recreational activities and products of the people of the state. The construction and equipment of said building, including acquisition of suitable land, shall be under the authority and direction of Maine Development Commission which is hereby authorized to make all necessary contracts therefor; and upon completion thereof, its

operation and maintenance shall be a function of said commission. Said commission may, at its discretion, choose a suitable agent or agents to administer the affairs and activities required by this act.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of the general fund the sum of \$100,000 for the construction and equipment of said building, including the acquisition of a lot of land therefor; and the provisions of sections 24-A to 24-C, inclusive, of chapter 1 of the revised statutes, as enacted by chapter 248 of the public laws of 1945, are hereby made applicable thereto. This appropriation is for a capital expenditure and not of a recurring nature, and any unexpended balances shall not lapse, but shall remain a continuous carrying account until the purposes of this act have been accomplished.