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Legislative Document

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House of Representatives, March 10, 1949.

Referred to Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Ricker of Turner.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-NINE

RESOLVE to Create an Educational Surplus Property Pool.

Educational surplus property pool; created. Resolved: That a fund of \$2,000 be, and hereby is, created to be known as the "Educational Surplus Property Pool", such fund to be used under the direction of the commissioner of education to defray the costs involved in acquiring federal surplus property for educational institutions within the state; and be it further

Resolved: That on the acquisition of such materials by the state, the said commissioner is authorized to make transfers of such material to educational institutions and to receive from such agencies for deposit in the educational surplus property pool moneys sufficient to cover the acquisition and delivery costs; and be it further

Resolved: That the sum of \$2,000 be, and hereby is, appropriated to carry out the provisions of this resolve; and be it further

Resolved: That the provisions of this resolve shall be effective until withdrawn by the legislature, at which time such sum of \$2,000 hereby appropriated shall be repaid into the general fund of the state.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Public Law 889, as passed by the United States Congress in 1948, authorizes the armed forces to donate surplus property to educational institutions on payment of packing and handling charges.

The property is shipped by the installation having control to the state department of education which is responsible for distribution to the educational institutions of the state. Freight and handling charges are billed to the state agency which prorates these costs to, and collects from, the receiving schools.

Since the enactment of chapter 119 of the resolves of 1945, which created the surplus property pool, using government acquisition cost as a standard, more than \$1,500,000 of property has been distributed in the state. If Maine schools are to continue to receive a fair share of donable property, extension of the authority which expired on January 31, 1949 and provision of a small working fund are essential.