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NINETY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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In Senate, February 9, 1951.

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

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Haskell of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-ONE

RESOLVE, Appropriating Moneys for Automatic Emergency Electric Power for State Police Radio System.

Automatic emergency electric power for state police; appropriation for. Resolved: That there be, and hereby is, appropriated from the general fund to the chief of the state police the sum of \$11,650 for the installation of automatic emergency electric power. Any unexpended balances shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The state police have a state-wide short wave radio network made up about 130 mobile units which work with the higher powered land stations. Ten of the fixed stations have no auxiliary emergency power supply generators so that failure of electric service at one or more of these locations makes the network much less effective. Since this communication system is a primary need of an effective civil defense system it is desirable that the network be made as reliable as possible and to accomplish this requires the 10 standby generators and the 6 voltage regulators. The primary use of the system, that of state police work, will also be greatly improved by the installations that prevent shutdowns during local power supply failures.