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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-THREE

**RESOLVE, Appropriating Money for the Continued Study of the Maine
State Liquor Monopoly Operations.**

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the attorney general has been and will continue to engage in the active investigation of certain criminal actions ; and

Whereas, it is of vital importance to the safety and welfare of the people of the state of Maine that these investigations be continued ; and

Whereas, there are no funds available to the attorney general to pay the expenses of such investigations ; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the constitution and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety ; now, therefore, be it

Appropriation to attorney general for investigation of crime. Resolved: That the sum of \$35,000 be, and hereby is, appropriated, from the unappropriated surplus of the general fund, for the use of the attorney general to pay the expenses of such investigations of the Maine state liquor monopoly operations as he deems necessary ; and the attorney general is hereby authorized to employ such assistants and to pay them such compensation and expenses as he deems necessary to further such investigations.

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

STATEMENT OF FACTS

There are no funds available to the attorney general for the continuance of investigations now under way in his office. It is necessary that these investigations be continued without any break in the time element.