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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. McCluskey of Warren.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-THREE

**AN ACT to Authorize the Establishment of a School of Fisheries at the
Maine Vocational Technical Institute.**

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 37, § 177-C, additional. Chapter 37 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 177-C, to read as follows :

'Sec. 177-C. School of fisheries. Under the authority vested in the state board of education the courses of instruction in the **Maine Vocational Technical Institute** will be increased to include a course in marine-commercial fishing.

The course would include subjects relating to all of the mechanic arts of commercial fishing and thereby prepare graduates in all phases of producing, processing, marketing and distributing fish, shellfish and other marine species, and their respective by-products.'

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of \$25,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954, and the sum of \$25,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955, to carry out the purposes of this act.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The state's fisheries resources, an essential component of the state's economy, are becoming depleted at a rapid rate. Conservation practices taught through the educational program proposed by this act will contribute to the preservation of our natural resources.