

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 1498**

S. P. 566

In Senate, April 22, 1953

Reported by Senator Sinclair of Somerset from Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and printed under Joint Rules No. 10.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-THREE

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**RESOLVE, in Favor of Reid State Park.**

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**Reid State Park; appropriation for. Resolved:** That there be, and hereby is, appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of the general fund the sum of \$125,000 for the 1953-54 fiscal year and \$125,000 for the 1954-55 fiscal year for construction and improvement at Reid State Park. Such expenditures shall be as recommended by the state park commission and approved by the governor and council. It is the intent of the legislature that the state park commission in their recommendations and the governor and council in their approval shall consider the total needs related to the overall development of Reid State Park and in their final consideration give approval to such expenditures as shall accomplish the greatest possible development of this park facility within the limits of the appropriation provided herein.

Any balances at June 30, 1954 shall be carried forward to the 1954-1955 fiscal year, but all unencumbered appropriation balances shall lapse June 30, 1955.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Reid State Park was made possible by the generous gift of Walter Reid, accepted by the state on 3-20-46. The 94th legislature appropriated \$100,-

000 for the initial development of the facility. It is advantageously located and possesses natural advantages capable of extensive development into a facility which will have great and general use and add substantially to the recreational facilities offered by the state of Maine.

In recommending a total of \$250,000 for this park during the next biennium, the committee concluded that such an appropriation represented a fair allocation to Reid State Park from the total available unappropriated surplus funds. The committee also concluded that whereas the entire amount requested by the state park commission is not provided for in this Act, a further study by the commission, subject to the approval of the governor and council, would develop plans wherein the sum herein provided for could best be used in developing the park.

Below is an itemized tabulation of the construction and improvement needs showing the request of the department which in the governor's budget recommendation was approved in full:

State Park Commission	<u>1953-54</u>	<u>1954-55</u>
Reid State Park		
Road to Todds Point and parking areas	75,000	—
Parking area with bathing pool	45,000	—
Toilets with bathhouse stalls, showers and First Aid Facilities	—	50,000
Concession facilities	—	18,000
Picnic areas with tables and fireplaces	—	8,000
Water and sewerage systems and electric power	—	47,700
Contact station	4,500	—
Latrines, water and sewerage systems in picnic area	—	12,000
Headquarters, ranger station, service buildings and communications	—	35,300
Campground with roads, parking, tables, fireplaces, toilets, water and sewerage system	50,000	—
Total	<u>174,500</u>	<u>171,000</u>