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In Senate, April 22, 1953.

Reported by Senator Haskell of Penobscot from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and ordered printed under Joint Rules No. 10.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-THREE

RESOLVE, in Favor of the Bangor State Hospital.

Bangor State Hospital construction and improvements; appropriation for. Resolved: That there be, and hereby is, appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of the general fund the sum of \$85,000 for the 1953-54 fiscal year and \$75,000 for the 1954-55 fiscal year for construction and improvements at the Bangor State Hospital. Such expenditures shall be as recommended by the commissioner of institutional service and approved by the governor and council. It is the intent of the legislature that the commissioner of institutional service in his recommendations and the governor and council in their approval shall consider the total needs of Bangor State Hospital and in their final consideration give approval to such expenditures as shall accomplish the greatest possible improvement in the Bangor State Hospital facilities within the limits of the appropriation provided herein.

Any balances at June 30, 1954 shall be carried forward to the 1954-55 fiscal year, but all unencumbered appropriation balances shall lapse June 30, 1955.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The Bangor State Hospital is a mental institution with an estimated inmate population in this current year of 1150. It is the opinion of the com-

mittee on appropriations and financial affairs that a total amount of \$160,000 should be made available for whatever items the governor and council in their wisdom may deem most essential.

The committee arrived at this amount by determining the above mentioned sum as an equitable allocation of the total available unappropriated general fund surplus. The committee also believes that renewed study and consideration by the commissioner with final consideration by governor and council will produce the best answer with respect to relative priority among all of the essential projects at Bangor State Hospital.

Below is an itemized tabulation of construction and improvement needs of the hospital showing those items requested by the department and those items recommended by the governor :

	Department Request		Budget Recommendation	
	1953-54	1954-55	1953-54	1954-55
Bangor State Hospital				
Install elevator in new patients' building	—	36,750	—	36,750
Construct new greenhouse	—	5,500	—	—
Major repairs and replacement to plumbing and heating system	27,500	—	27,500	—
Construct one physicians' home	13,550	—	13,550	—
Install sprinkler system	85,000	—	85,000	—
Total	<u>126,050</u>	<u>42,250</u>	<u>126,050</u>	<u>36,750</u>