

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 97th LEGISLATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 1229, L. D. 1512, Bill, "An Act Making Supplemental Appropriations for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1956 and June 30, 1957, and to provide Additional Revenue to General Fund."

Amend said Bill by inserting before the enacting clause thereof, the following Emergency preamble:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves passed by the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the said 90-day period will not terminate until after the beginning of the next fiscal year; and

Whereas, certain obligations and expenses incident to the operation of departments and institutions will become due and payable on or immediately after July 1, 1955; and

Whereas, the essential needs of State Government, particularly as they relate to the services rendered by the State Departments of Education, Health and Welfare and Institutional Service, require that additional revenue be raised by this Legislature; and

Whereas, the revenue to be collected under the provisions of this Act may not be sufficient to provide for said needs during the next fiscal biennium unless the tax is imposed at the beginning of the next fiscal year, namely, July 1, 1955; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,'

Further amend said Bill by adding at the end thereof the following Emergency Clause:

'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect on July 1, 1955.'

Filed by Mr. Childs of Portland.

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