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### NINETY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

#### Legislative Document

No. 751

H. P. 523 House of Representatives, February 14, 1957. Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Caswell of New Sharon.

#### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN

RESOLVE, For Installation of Sprinkler Systems in Certain Dormitories at Farmington State Teachers' College.

Farmington State Teachers' College; appropriation for. Resolved: That there be, and hereby is, appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of the general fund the sum of \$30,000 for the installation of sprinkler systems in Purington, Mallett and Dearborn Hall dormitories at the Farmington State Teachers' College. Funds appropriated under the resolve shall be expended on recommendation of the State Board of Education and approved by the Governor and Council; and be it further

**Resolved:** That the moneys appropriated by this resolve shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account until the purposes of the resolve have been accomplished.

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS

This project is a part of the State Board of Education's approved program for capital improvement at this campus over a ten-year period. It would provide emergency fire protection in three existing women's dormitories.

All of these units are vulnerable to the effects of flash or other extensive fires. The Purington and Mallett dormitories each house in excess of 100 students and employees. They depend upon obsolete standpipe and hose installations supplemented by hand extinguishers. Dearborn Hall relies upon extinguishers only to

protect over thirty residents and a day nursery school program for children. There are no automatic alarm systems.

Provisions of the recommended systems would result in an approximate annual saving of \$700 in insurance premiums. It is in accord with precedence established by installations in other plant units.