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H. P. 646

House of Representatives, February 20, 1957.

Referred to Committee on Towns and Counties. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Rich of Charleston.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Expending Penobscot County Funds for Higgins Classical Institute.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Higgins Classical Institute has during the last 65 years filled an important place in the education of the youth of Penobscot County; and

Whereas, this institution suffered a major loss last April when its Boys' Dormitory was destroyed by fire; and

Whereas, the Trustees of Higgins Classical Institute are endeavoring to rebuild its Dormitory and have expended more than \$100,000 toward its reconstruction; and

Whereas, an additional \$100,000 is needed to finish this construction; and

Whereas, the Trustees of Higgins Classical Institute have exhausted all available funds; and

Whereas, education is an eminently proper purpose for the expenditure of county funds; and

Whereas, the immediate need for such funds is urgent if Higgins Classical Institute is to serve efficiently; 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,

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

Appropriation for secondary education in Penobscot County. The County of Penobscot shall expend the sum of \$10,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1958 and \$10,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1959 for Higgins Classical Institute, to be paid to the treasurer of said Institute on or before July 1st of the year for which it is appropriated, and to be expended by the Trustees of Higgins Classical Institute toward the completion of its Boys' Dormitory.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.