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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

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**STATE OF MAINE**

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-SEVEN

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**RESOLVE, Authorizing Engineering and Economic Survey of Ferry Service  
for North Haven, Vinalhaven, Islesboro and Swan's Island.**

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**Survey of ferry service; authorized. Resolved:** That the Maine Port Authority be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to make or cause to be made a survey of the engineering and economic aspects of adequate ferry service between the mainland and the towns of North Haven, Vinalhaven, Islesboro and Swan's Island. The survey so undertaken shall include but not be limited to determinations with respect to suitable boats, wharves, landing places and all other essential appurtenances and shall also report on the economic aspects of the service, including, but not limited to, total capital requirements, cost of capital, operating, maintenance and depreciation charges together with related studies concerning ferry service revenues, to the end that a summary report shall indicate whether or not the ferry service would be self-supporting or if not self-supporting, the extent of subsidy required to maintain the service. The Authority shall report to the 99th Legislature; and be it further

**Resolved:** That there be, and hereby is, appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of the general fund the sum of \$25,000 to carry out the purposes of this resolve. The moneys so appropriated shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account until the purposes of this resolve have been accomplished.

## STATEMENT OF FACTS

An estimate of \$25,000 has been made by a firm of reliable consulting engineers covering work description relating to this resolve, as follows:

(1) A determination of the traffic that may be expected between the mainland and the various islands, based on an overall study of the islands, including the present and probable future population (both permanent and summer) and their needs as to passenger, freight and mail service.

(2) The determination of the number, type and size of boats required for these services, the estimated first cost of each type, and cost of their yearly operation, taking into account the more frequent service required during the summer than in the winter months.

(3) The determination of the location and adaptability for construction of various sites for the necessary ferry terminals, including slips and appurtenances.

(4) The design of such terminals in sufficient detail to permit the preparation of estimates of cost of same.

(5) The submission of a report to include:

- a. Details as to present and estimated future traffic.
- b. Types, number and estimated cost of boats to provide for the above traffic.
- c. Proposed location and estimates of cost of ferry terminals.
- d. Estimated cost of operation of these boats.
- e. Suggested tolls and estimated receipts from passenger, freight, and mail services.
- f. Tabulation showing estimated receipts, cost of operation and debt service, over a period of years.