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In Senate, January 22, 1959 Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary Presented by Senator Willey of Hancock.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE

RESOLVE, Appropriating Moneys to Provide for Necessary Expert Assistance in Regulation of Rates.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the funds appropriated for the present function of the Public Utilities Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1959 are insufficient : and

Whereas, existing statutes provide for these functions as a direct obligation of the State; 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

Emergency appropriation. Resolved: That in order to pay for the employment of necessary expert assistance in the regulation of rates in matters presently before the Public Utilities Commission, and subject to its jurisdiction, the sum of \$27,500 is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the General Fund not otherwise appropriated for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1959.

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

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The sum of \$27,500 is urgently needed by the Public Utilities Commission to permit it to employ necessary expert assistance for current rate proceedings now before the commission.