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H. P. 383 House of Representatives, February 10, 1959. Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Rowe of Madawaska.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to National Defense Education Program.

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

R. S., c. 41, §§ 222-A - 222-D, additional. Chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding 4 new sections to be numbered 222-A to 222-D, to read as follows:

'National Defense Education Program.

Sec. 222-A. Acceptance of National Defense Education Program. The State, having accepted the provisions and benefits of the act of Congress entitled "National Defense Education Act of 1958, to strengthen the national defense and to encourage and assist in the expansion and improvement of educational programs to meet critical national needs, and for other purposes" approved September 2, 1958, will observe and comply with said act.

Sec. 222-B. Treasurer of State custodian of funds. The Treasurer of State is designated custodian of all moneys received by the State from the Federal Government for administration, supervision and assistance to subdivisions of the State, in the expansion and improvement of educational programs. The said Treasurer of State is authorized to receive and provide for the proper custody of such moneys and to make disbursements therefrom upon the order of the Commissioner of Education.

Sec. 222-C. State Board of Education as state agency. The State Board of Education is designated and established as the sole state agency to administer and supervise national defense education activities under public law 85-864, 85th Congress. Subject to the approval of the State Board of Education, the execu-

tive officer of the state board shall make such rules and regulations as he finds necessary or appropriate to efficient administration of the act, shall enter into agreements with state and federal agencies providing educational services related to national defense, and shall prepare and issue state plans for the administration of titles of the act requiring such state plans which, under the above conditions, shall be amended from time to time as appears necessary or desirable.

Sec. 222-D. Appropriation. The Legislature shall appropriate for national defense education services such sums as it finds necessary. The acceptance of federal and other funds made available for purposes of education is authorized, and the State Board of Education is empowered to cooperate with the United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare in carrying out public law 85-864, 85th Congress, cited as the "National Defense Education Act of 1958" and such other federal programs as may concern the expansion or improvement of educational programs to meet national needs.'