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In Senate, February 17, 1959

Referred to Committee on State Government. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Cole of Waldo.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-NINE

**AN ACT Relating to Construction Reserve Fund in Department of Finance
and Administration.**

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves passed by the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the said 90-day period will not terminate until after the beginning of the next fiscal year; and

Whereas, the language of the first sentence of the first paragraph of section 45-A of chapter 15-A of the Revised Statutes requires immediate clarification as to intent; and

Whereas, it will not be possible to award contracts, prior to June 30, 1959, for all of the construction reserve fund projects authorized by the 98th Legislature; and

Whereas, funds allocated for projects not contracted for by June 30, 1959 will lapse on that date; and

Whereas, the lapsing of such funds will result in the abandonment of authorized projects which the 98th Legislature believed vital to the health and well-being of the inhabitants 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 enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 15-A, § 45-A, amended. The first sentence of the first paragraph of section 45-A of chapter 15-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 14 of chapter 429 of the public laws of 1957, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 45-A. Allocations from the construction reserve fund. Funds appropriated by the Legislature to the construction reserve fund may be allocated by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council, **for construction, repairs, equipment, supplies and furnishings, whenever:'**

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 15-A, § 45-A, amended. Section 45-A of chapter 15-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 14 of chapter 429 of the public laws of 1957, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph to read as follows:

'Any balance in the construction reserve fund shall not lapse but shall be carried forward from year to year to be expended for the purposes set forth in this section.'