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CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

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**STATE OF MAINE**

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-NINE

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**AN ACT Relating to St. Mary's Hospital of Lewiston.**

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**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after the Legislature adjourns unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the Society of the Sisters of Charity, Lewiston, Maine, which operates St. Mary's Hospital, in said City of Lewiston, has already started construction of an addition to said hospital; and

Whereas, in order to complete the addition, bonds must be issued; and

Whereas, under the present limitations of law, said bonds cannot be issued; 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:

**The Society of the Sisters of Charity, Lewiston, Maine; limitation on amount of property taken and held.** All provisions of law limiting the amount of property which may be taken and held, or the amount of income which may be received, by The Society of the Sisters of Charity, Lewiston, Maine, a charitable corporation organized in 1892 under the general law, which operates St. Mary's Hospital located at Lewiston, Androscoggin County, are repealed; and said corporation may take and hold property and receive income, for the purposes for which it was incorporated, to the amount of \$5,000,000.

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