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and payment of state bonds, temporary loans or special funds in the state treasury, may, in the discretion of the governor and council, be credited to said state contingent fund on that date.'

R. S., c. 2, § 87; 1919, c. 209; 1917, c. 226; relating to expenditures from state contingent fund, amended. Section eighty-seven of chapter two of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred and twenty-six of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen, is hereby further amended by striking out the words "first day of January" in the fourth line of said section, and inserting in place thereof the words 'first day of July,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'**Sec. 87. Date changed to July 1st to correspond with change in fiscal year.** Warrants may be drawn upon, charged to, and paid out of said fund, to pay outstanding bills or accounts that were properly chargeable to the several appropriations previous to the first day of July of each year; to pay outstanding bills necessarily contracted by state departments or state institutions for which the legislature failed to make sufficient provision, and to pay such other expenses as may be necessarily incurred under any requirement of law or for the maintenance of government, and which the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall authorize, and so much of said fund as may be necessary for said purposes is hereby appropriated to pay such bills and expenses; provided, however, that no payment shall be made from this fund, except as above provided, unless some emergency shall arise requiring an expenditure of money not provided for by the legislature.'

Approved April 4, 1921.

Chapter 97.

An Act to Provide for the Acceptance of the Benefits of an Act by the Senate and House of Representatives of Congress Assembled Entitled "An Act to Provide for the Promotion of Vocational Rehabilitation of Persons Disabled in Industry and Otherwise and their Return to Civil Employment"; and to Provide for the Administration of the same.

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

Sec. 1. Authorizing acceptance act of congress relative to vocational rehabilitation. The State of Maine hereby, through its legislative authority, accepts the provisions and benefits of the act of Congress entitled "An Act to Provide for the Promotion of Vocational Rehabilitation of persons injured in Industry or Otherwise" approved June second, nineteen hundred and twenty, and will observe and comply with the requirements of said act.

Sec. 2. State treasurer designated as custodian of funds. The state treasurer is hereby designated and appointed custodian of all moneys

received by the state from appropriations made by the Congress of the United States for the vocational rehabilitation of persons disabled in industry or otherwise, and is authorized to receive and provide for the proper custody of the same and to make disbursements therefrom upon the order of the state board for vocational education herein designated.

Sec. 3. State board for vocational education to administer provisions of act. The state board for vocational education, as provided by section two of chapter one hundred and eighty-six of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen of the State of Maine, is hereby authorized to co-operate with the federal board for vocational education in the administration of the provisions of this act; to prescribe and provide such courses of instruction and training as may be necessary for the vocational rehabilitation of persons injured in industry or otherwise, and to provide for the instruction and supervision of such training.

Sec. 4. State board for vocational education to co-operate with industrial accident commission. The state board for vocational education is hereby authorized to co-operate with the state industrial accident commission, charged with the administration of the state workmen's compensation laws, to formulate a plan of co-operation in accordance with the provisions of this act and the said act of Congress; said plan to become effective when approved by the governor of the state.

Sec. 5. Authorizing acceptance of gifts; money to be deposited with state treasurer; special fund created; appropriation for vocational education applicable. The state board for vocational education is hereby authorized and empowered to receive such gifts and donations, either from public or private sources as may be offered unconditionally, or under such conditions related to the vocational rehabilitation of persons injured in industry or otherwise as in their judgment are proper and consistent with the provisions of this act. All moneys received as gifts or donations shall be deposited in the state treasury and shall constitute a permanent fund to be called the special fund for the vocational rehabilitation of disabled persons, to be used by said board to defray the expenses of vocational rehabilitation in special cases, including the payment of necessary expenses of persons undergoing training. The funds set apart in chapter one hundred and five of the resolves of nineteen hundred and nineteen for the purpose of co-operating with the federal board for vocational education are applicable to this act also.