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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-eighth Legislature

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE

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MEMORIALS

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED  
AND FIFTY-SEVEN

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**MEMORIAL**

To the President of the United States and to the Honorable Senate and House of  
Representatives of the United States of America in Congress Assembled

**JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING THE PRESIDENT AND THE  
CONGRESS TO CORRECT GOVERNMENTAL POLICIES WHICH  
CREATE UNREASONABLE COMPETITIVE DISADVANTAGES  
FOR THE COTTON TEXTILE INDUSTRY**

We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State  
of Maine in the Ninety-Eighth Legislative Session assembled, most respectfully  
present and petition the President and the Congress as follows:

Whereas, the Bates Manufacturing Company has announced the closing of  
two of its Maine plants, creating unemployment for thousands of Maine textile  
workers; and

Whereas, continued unfair foreign competition threatens the existence of the  
textile industry in Maine and other parts of the nation; and

Whereas, this threat is immediate, burdensome, and demoralizing to workers,  
their families and their neighbors; and

Whereas, these thousands of American citizens are confronted with unemploy-  
ment, family displacement, and economic insecurity in a period of record high  
spending, high cost of living, and general prosperity; and

Whereas, federal policies have contributed to the crisis in the textile industry;  
and

Whereas, only the President and the Congress of the United States have the  
power to mobilize the resources of the federal government to alleviate this prob-  
lem.

**Now**, Be it Resolved that We, the Members of the Senate and House of Rep-  
resentatives of the Maine State Legislature, do urgently request the President  
of the United States, Dwight David Eisenhower, to use the powers of his office  
and of the several departments of the government of the United States to ef-  
fect immediate action to remedy the present situation in the textile industry and  
to establish a long-range program to provide for a healthy recovery and growth  
of the textile industry; and be it further

**Resolved:** That S. 314, "To assist the United States cotton textile industry in regaining its equitable share of the world market," and other measures designed to resolve the immediate emergency confronting the cotton textile industry and to promote its long-range prosperity, be acted upon forthwith by the Congress; and be it further

**Resolved:** That a copy of this Memorial, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of State to the President and to the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress, the membership of said Senate and House of Representatives from this State and to the presiding officers of each of the Legislatures in the New England states.

## IN SENATE CHAMBER

Received by Unanimous Consent  
without Reference to a Committee  
April 17, 1957  
Read and Adopted  
Sent Down for Concurrence  
CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Adopted Without Reference  
to a Committee  
In Concurrence  
April 18, 1957  
HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

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## MEMORIAL

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of  
America in Congress Assembled

JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING CONGRESS TO ENACT LEG-  
ISLATION CONCERNING UNJUSTIFIED PRICE INCREASES OF  
CRUDE OIL AND REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

**We**, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Maine in the Ninety-Eighth Legislative Session assembled, most respectfully present and petition your Honorable Body as follows:

**Whereas**, the American public is seriously concerned and does have increasing doubts related to what may be the unjustified price increases of crude oil and refined petroleum products; and

**Whereas**, remedial legislation can have consideration best at the National level; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** That we, the Memorialists, recommend to the Congress of the United States that Senate Resolution 64 before the Senate Committee on

Interstate and Foreign Commerce be considered of utmost importance, and be it further

**RESOLVED:** That a copy of this Memorial, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of State to the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress, the membership of said Senate and House of Representatives from this State and to the presiding officers of each of the Legislatures in the New England states.

IN SENATE CHAMBER

April 11, 1957

Read and Adopted

Sent Down for Concurrence

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

House Receded from Its Action of April 24, 1957 whereby the Resolution was Indefinitely Postponed and on May 22, 1957 Adopted the Resolution in Concurrence.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk