

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE
ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS OF THE STATE OF MAINE
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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE
1997

CHAPTER 1

S.P. 152 - L.D. 470

**An Act to Increase Security at the
Maine State Prison**

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

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

Whereas, certain obligations and expenses will become due and payable prior to July 1, 1997; 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. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1997 to the department listed to carry out the purposes of this Act.

1996-97

**CORRECTIONS,
DEPARTMENT OF**

State Prison

Positions - Legislative Count	(9,000)
Personal Services	\$104,940

Provides for the appropriation of funds to establish 9 Guard positions for the remainder of fiscal year 1996-97 due to growth in medium-custody inmates.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.

Effective February 10, 1997.

CHAPTER 2

S.P. 220 - L.D. 679

**An Act to Authorize the Department
of Transportation to Use Design-
build Contracting for Development
of a New Bath-Woolwich Bridge**

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

Whereas, this legislation must be enacted immediately in order to safeguard \$38,000,000 in federal transportation funds that the United States Congress could otherwise rescind; and

Whereas, the Legislature has determined that the timely development of a new bridge between Bath and Woolwich is necessary to avoid continuing high maintenance costs related to the existing Carlton Bridge and costs to the traveling public and related businesses; 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. Definitions. As used in this Act and unless otherwise indicated, the following terms have the following meanings.

1. "Bath-Woolwich Bridge" means a new bridge that will span the Kennebec River between the City of Bath and the Town of Woolwich near the existing Carlton Bridge, together with the Bath approach to the bridge.