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	(EMERGENCY) (New Draft of H.P. 1594, L.D. 2104)
; •	SECOND REGULAR SESSION
	ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
;	Legislative Document No. 2396
<b>)</b>	H.P. 1811 House of Representatives, March 29, 1984
	Reported by Representative Pines from the Committee on Health and Institutional Services and printed under Joint Rule 2.  Original bill presented by Representative Carroll of Gray.
	EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
	STATE OF MAINE
	IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FOUR
	AN ACT Relating to Medicaid Reimbursement Rates for Ambulance Services.
	Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legis- lature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and
	Whereas, the Department of Human Services has failed to increase the base rate reimbursement since 1973, in spite of the drastic increases in gasoline, repair costs of vehicles, insurance rates, equipment and other costs; 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,

1 2	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
3 4 5 6 7 8 9	Sec. 1. Legislative intent. It is the intent of the Legislature that the Department of Human Services shall increase that portion of the Medicaid budget allocated to Emergency Medical Services by \$18,666, which, together with the appropriate matching share from federal funds, shall be used to increase the reimbursement payments to state-licensed ambulance services.
11 12 13	Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.
14 15 16	HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
17 18	Bureau of Medical Services Emergency Medical Services \$2,666 \$16,000
19 20 21	Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.
22	STATEMENT OF FACT
23 24 25 26 27 28	This new draft removes the language in statute specifying the exact amount to be paid, and instead requires the Department of Human Services to use an increased appropriation of \$18,666 to increase the reimbursements to ambulance services providing services to Medicaid recipients.