

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 114th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## SECOND REGULAR SESSION - 1990

Legislative Document

No. 1927

S.P. 728

In Senate, December 13, 1989

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.

Received by the Secretary of the Senate on December 13, 1989. Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and 1,600 ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 14.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BUSTIN of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative CARROLL of Gray and Representative MELENDY of Rockland.

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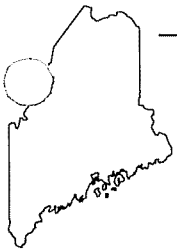
IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY

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An Act to Fund Sex Offender Treatment in Maine's Correctional Facilities.

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(EMERGENCY)



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

6 **Whereas,** the State's sex offender program has recently  
7 terminated due to lack of funding; and

8 **Whereas,** a growing percentage of prison inmates are sex  
9 offenders; and

10 **Whereas,** it is in the State's best interest to do all that  
11 is possible to reduce repeat sex offenses and treatment has  
12 proven to be one mechanism for reducing recidivism; and

13 **Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts  
14 create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of  
15 Maine and require the following legislation as immediately  
16 necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and  
17 safety; now, therefore,

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

19 **Appropriation.** The following funds are appropriated from  
20 the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	1989-90	1990-91
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28	<b>CORRECTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF</b>	
30	<b>Correctional Services</b>	

32	All Other	\$100,000	\$100,000
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34 Provides funding for  
35 education and treatment  
36 programs within the State's  
37 correctional centers for  
38 inmates convicted of sex  
39 offenses.

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

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46 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

48 This bill provides funding for education and treatment  
49 programs within the State's correctional centers for inmates  
50 convicted of sex offenses.