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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
114TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to S.P. 766, L.D. 1991, Bill, "An Act to Expand the Protection and Advocacy Agency for Persons with Disabilities and Consolidate Funding"

Amend the bill by striking out all of the title and inserting in its place the following:

'An Act to Consolidate Funding of the Protection and Advocacy Agency for Persons with Disabilities'

Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the emergency clause and inserting in its place the following:

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

Whereas, contracts with the Department of Educational and Cultural Services and the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation cause unnecessary administrative costs and conflicts of interest; 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:

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

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MAINE ADVOCACY SERVICES

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Maine Advocacy Services

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All Other

\$87,276

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Provides funds transferred from the Department of Educational and Cultural Services and the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

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MAINE ADVOCACY SERVICES

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TOTAL

\$87,276

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**EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF**

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Special Education - Exceptional Children

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All Other

(\$43,776)

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These funds, which fund a contract with Maine Advocacy Services to advocate for deaf children and children placed outside their homes, are being deappropriated from the Division of Special Education and appropriated directly to Maine Advocacy Services.

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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL
SERVICES**

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TOTAL

(\$43,776)

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**MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION,
DEPARTMENT OF**

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**Administration - Mental Health and Mental
Retardation**

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All Other

(\$43,500)

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These funds, which fund a contract with Maine Advocacy Services to supplement protection and advocacy services to persons with developmental disabilities and mental illness, are being deappropriated from the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation and appropriated directly to Maine Advocacy Services.

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	AND MENTAL RETARDATION	
4	TOTAL	<u>(\$43,500)</u>
6	TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	-0-

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This amendment adjusts the appropriation to Maine Advocacy Services to reflect the transfer of funds from the Department of Educational and Cultural Services and the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

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Reported by Senator Pearson for the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Reproduced and distributed pursuant to Senate Rule 12.
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