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In Senate, May 13, 1993

Resolve, to Authorize Bonding by the Maine Court Facilities Authority.

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by President DUTREMBLE of York.
Cosponsored by Senators: CIANCHETTE of Somerset, LAWRENCE of York, SUMMERS of Cumberland, Representatives: CARON of Biddeford, DUTREMBLE of Biddeford, GEAN of Alfred, GWADOSKY of Fairfield, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, NADEAU of Saco, OTT of York, PLOURDE of Biddeford.

Sec. 1. Maine Court Facilities Authority; securities. Resolved: That, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 4, section 1606, subsection 1, the Maine Court Facilities Authority is authorized to issue securities in its own name in an amount up to \$7,000,000 for the purpose of paying the cost of courthouse projects or parts of projects in Biddeford, Skowhegan and other locations designated by the Maine Court Facilities Authority.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

12 Revised Statutes, Title 4, section subsection 1, authorizes the Maine Court Facilities Authority to 14 issue securities in an amount not to exceed \$25,000,000 outstanding at any one time. To date, \$15,000,000 has been drawn down against this limit. The bill requests authorization for the 16 drawdown of an additional \$7,000,000 to be used to fund the cost of constructing new facilities to replace substandard courthouses 18 in Biddeford, Skowhegan and at other locations designated by the 20 Maine Court Facilities Authority. In addition to renovations that are necessary to address safety and overcrowding problems, the cost of modifying existing facilities to meet mandated 22 requirements of the federal Americans with Disabilities Act is cost-prohibitive. 24