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HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

All Other

\$33,000 \$43,750

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 565

S. P. 316 - L. D. 946

AN ACT to Appropriate Funds for Emergency Shelters and Services for Victims of Domestic Violence.

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA c. 1677 is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 1677

EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR

VICTIMS OF FAMILY VIOLENCE

§ 8501. Provision of services

The Department of Human Services shall provide, through social service contracts, emergency services for family members who cannot safely remain in their own homes because of violence, serious threat of violence or other serious family crisis. The emergency services shall include such services as shelter care, counseling and coordinating other necessary services.

The department shall make these services available to all areas of the State insofar as practicable.

Sec. 2. Report. The Bureau of Resource Development shall report to the Second Regular Session of the 109th Legislature on the progress of establishing shelters pursuant to this chapter. This report shall include statistics on shelter costs, usage and services, as well as the coordination of shelter services with child and adult protective services.

Sec. 3. Appropriation. The following funds shall be appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

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Victims of Family Violence

All Other

These funds shall only be applied to contracts for services under Title 22, section 8501. Any balance of funds in this account on June 30, 1980 shall not lapse but shall be carried forward in fiscal year 1981 to be expended for the same purpose.

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CHAPTER 566

H. P. 1054 – L. D. 1305

AN ACT to Permit a Resident of an Intermediate Care Facility or a Skilled Nursing Facility who Receives Aid for the Medically Needy or Aid for the Categorically Needy to Give \$210 a Month from his Income to a Dependent Spouse.

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA § 3174, as last amended by PL 1977, c. 714, § 3, is further amended by adding after the 4th paragraph, which begins with the words "The application of any available," a new paragraph to read:

If a recipient of assistance under this chapter who resides in an intermediate care facility or a skilled nursing facility has a spouse dependent on that recipient for support, the department shall permit the recipient to transfer \$210 a month, or \$2,520 a year, from his income to that spouse.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds shall be appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act:

\$100,000

\$150,000