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OFFICE OF  
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### GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE ON CORRECTIONS

WHEREAS, the treatment and rehabilitation of criminal offenders is of continuing concern to the people of Maine and their public officials, and

WHEREAS, the upgrading of Maine's Correctional System requires continuous review of procedures, policies and programs at both local and state levels;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KENNETH M. CURTIS, Governor of the State of Maine, hereby establish the Governor's Task Force on Corrections to review and evaluate the facilities and procedures relating to the treatment of criminal offenders, both juvenile and adult, in the State of Maine.

The Task Force shall issue a preliminary report no later than January 1, 1974 to include any recommendations for legislative action during the Special Session of the 106th Legislature.

The final report of the Task Force shall be issued no later than September 1, 1974. This report shall include, but not be limited to:


- 1) Identification of all programs and services currently employed and those that are lacking in the process of rehabilitating juvenile and adult offenders.
- 2) Consideration of a phased schedule to implement the recommendations contained in past studies such as the Comprehensive Juvenile Delinquency Study, Cooperative Extension Service UMO, and the study recently completed for the Bureau of Corrections by Batten, Batten, Hudson and Swab, Inc.
- 3) Recommendations concerning pre-trial diversion of juvenile offenders to more meaningful alternatives of treatment.

- 4) Recommendations for providing improved diagnostic and evaluation services to aid in the sentencing and ultimate rehabilitation process.
- 5) Recommendations for improving the county jail facilities and programs involved in these facilities.
- 6) Recommendations for providing a more effective and meaningful experience in the community to prevent repetition of criminal or delinquent behavior.
- 7) Recommendations for involving offenders in deciding upon their own rehabilitation program.
- 8) Recommendations for appropriate legislative and administrative action affecting corrections.

The following persons are hereby appointed to the Governor's Task Force on Corrections: Honorable Gerard P. Conley; Honorable John R. McKernan; Honorable Stephen L. Perkins, Honorable Thomas R. Lapointe; Harold C. Pachios, Esq.; Caroline Glassman, Esq.; John B. Wlodkowski, Esq.; John M. Kerry; Norma Jane Langford; Robert Lovell; Jeff Roth; Alan Caron; Kathryn A. Stevenson; Diane A. Kelly; Mrs. Mark R. Knowles; Donald L. Dahlstrom; Mrs. Helen M. Ordway; Sheriff Charles Sharpe; Carl Anderson; and Sally V. Holm.

Stephen P. Simonds is appointed chairman of the Task Force, and Attorney John E. Larouche of Milo will serve as Special Assistant to the Task Force.

All State agencies are directed to cooperate fully with the Task Force in carrying out this Executive Order.

  
KENNETH M. CURTIS  
GOVERNOR